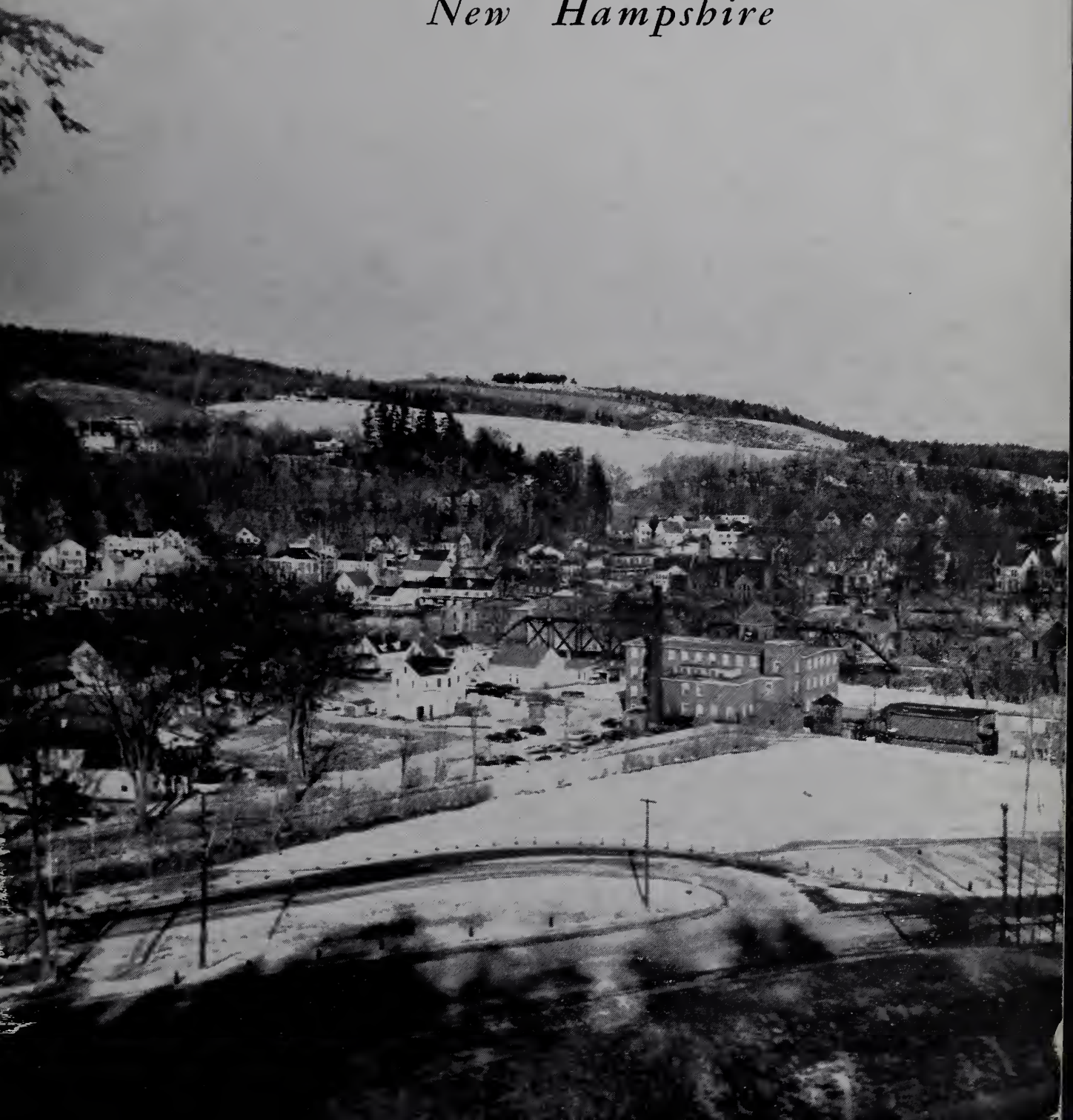


1953 Town Report

WILTON

New Hampshire





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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

Town Officers

of

Wilton, N. H.

for

Year Ending December 31, 1953

Also

Officers of School District

Year Ending June 30, 1953

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1953

Selectmen

James L. Sheldon, Ch.	Term expires 1955
Walter S. Frye	Term expires 1954
Guy M. Holt	Term expires 1956

Moderator

Raymond F. Batchelder

Town Clerk

Kenneth R. Dunham

Tax Collector

Daniel R. Batchelder

Town Treasurer

Joseph E. Raymond

Auditors

J. Elmer Draper
Samuel G. Proctor

Checklist Supervisors

Elizabeth L. French
Lillian G. Edwards
Gloria F. Paro

Water Commissioners

Norman W. Draper	Term expires 1954
James L. Sheldon	Term expires 1955
Lynn W. Potter	Term expires 1956

Trustees of Trust Funds

William L. Stanton	Term expires 1954
David Wright	Term expires 1955
F. Howard Bardol	Term expires 1956

Park and Playground

William F. Pelletier	Term expires 1954
Fred C. Nelson	Term expires 1955
Robert J. Stanton	Term expires 1956

Fire Commissioners
Guy M. Holt
Harry C. Draper
Lynn W. Potter

*Fire Chief and Forest
Fire Warden*
Wilfrid B. Berube

*Deputy Forest Fire
Wardens*
Ernest L. Clark
Lawrence M. Paro
Lawrence A. Gibbons
Arthur L. Tuttle
J. Victor Tuttle

Police
H. J. Drayton, Chief
A. L. Keilig

Dog Officer
Arthur L. Keilig

Sewer Commissioners
Selectmen

Janitor Town Hall
Charles W. Jowders

Health Officer
Raymond P. Galloway, M.D. Term expires Jan. 26, '54

Highway Agent
Lawrence A. Gibbons

Town Nurse
Edna J. Gilbert, R.N.

*Trustees of Gregg Free
Library*
Harold D. Cheever
J. E. Draper, Sec.-Treas.
Mrs. C. Randolph Myer
Mr. Wm. G. Abbott, Jr.
John H. Wilson
Donald E. Proctor

Building Committee
Selectmen
Planning Board
Lawrence A. Gibbons
Fred E. Tuttle

Overseer of Poor
James L. Sheldon

Planning Board
Walter S. Frye
William M. Abbott
Deborah R. LaPonsie
Emily B. Giffin

Cemeteries

Selectmen

Fred C. Nelson,
Caretaker

Forest Committee

James E. Burke

Harold D. Cheever

Philip C. Heald

Vale End Cemetery

Fred C. Nelson

Louis C. Aimini

James L. Sheldon

Whitney M. Frye

Budget Committee

Leslie N. Center 1954

Wm. P. Whiting, Sr. 1954

John K. Whiting, Jr. 1954

LeRoy C. Robbins 1955

Charles B. Sullivan 1955

Leslie M. Batchelder 1955

J. Elmer Draper, Ch. 1956

Samuel G. Proctor 1956

Richard R. Tuttle 1956

Masonry, Stone and Brick

Fred E. Tuttle

Surveyors of Lumber

Ernest L. Clark

Clyde A. Depuy

Leslie R. Frye

Fred E. French

Philip C. Heald

Leo A. LeMire

Erland B. Lyford

Whitney M. Frye

Albert E. Lashua

Welby P. Lowe

Wilfred LaChance

Louis Marcoux

Joseph P. Poisson

Fred G. Paro

Wilfrid S. Pellerin

Horace D. Stearns

J. Victor Tuttle

Bertus H. Wright

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilton in the County of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to appear at the Town Hall in said Wilton, on Tuesday, the ninth (9th) day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to choose all necessary town officers, and at 10:30 a. m. to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear the reports of Town Officers, Agents and Committees and pass any vote relating thereto.

2. To see if the Town will grant the free use of the town hall for Bent-Burke Post No. 10 American Legion for Memorial Day exercises.

3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

4. To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate taken over by the Town for non-payment of taxes.

5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as prepared by the Budget Committee or make any alterations relating thereto.

6. To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to appoint a deputy or deputies, under the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 42, Revised Laws of New Hampshire, or take any action relating thereto.

7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to charge an additional amount of twenty cents on each Poll Tax not paid by September 1st, for use of the Town as provided by statute.

8. To see if the Town will vote to hold an Old Home Day celebration in three years or take any action relating thereto.

9. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Chapter 292 of the Session Laws of 1949, relative to playing games of Beano, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for a new snow-plow wing for the Highway Department, or take any action relating thereto.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate money to extend the water service up Gregg Street to the Congregational Chapel, or take any action relating thereto.

12. To see if the Town will vote to improve the street lighting on Main Street from Prince Street to Dale Street, and raise and appropriate the necessary money therefor, or take any action relating thereto.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and tar the road leading into Laurel Hill Cemetery from Abbot Hill to top of hill, or take any action relating thereto.

14. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate land for a Town Barn and determine the cost of the building and report at an adjourned Town Meeting or take any action relating thereto.

15. To see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk on Maple Street from Tremont Street to the Milford line and raise and appropriate money therefor.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to be used in co-operation with State and Federal funds, for the control of White Pine Blister Rust within the confines of the Town.

17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray town charges for the ensuing year, including town officers' salaries and expenses, election and registration, town hall maintenance and equipment, police department, fire department, health department, vital statistics, sewer and water maintenance, town road aid, town maintenance, parks and playgrounds, street lighting, municipal court, fire alarm, town poor, old age assistance, aid to soldiers and their families, Memorial Day, cemeteries, Blister Rust, interest, bonds, county taxes, Monadnock Region Association, libraries, bridges, sidewalk construction, temporary notes, long term notes, town dump and maintenance, wing for snow-plow, resurfacing, water hole, dog damages, Workmen's Compensation Insurance and Social Security, and road to Laurel Hill Cemetery.

18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 20th day of February, 1954.

JAMES L. SHELDON,
WALTER S. FRYE,
GUY M. HOLT,
Selectmen of Wilton, N. H.

BUDGET

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

Compared with

Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year, January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing 1954
From State:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$ 9,632.81	\$12,058.91	\$12,058.91
Railroad tax	222.32	283.30	280.00
Savings bank tax	242.53	242.53	242.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	55.00	61.31	61.00
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber		700.70	
For fighting forest fires	500.00	303.88	500.00
Reimbursement a/c old age assistance		317.49	
Bounties	10.00	13.25	13.00
From Local Sources			
Except Taxes:			
Dog licenses	700.00	682.00	675.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	71.00	67.75	60.00
Fines & forfeits, municipal court	400.00	400.50	400.00
Rent of town hall and other buildings	1,600.00	1,993.50	1,900.00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	400.00		
Income from trust funds	800.00	1,007.97	1,000.00
Income of Departments:			
Town Poor		595.27	
Highway, including rental of equipment	1,500.00	2,088.06	1,500.00
Sewers		34.00	
Fire alarm	400.00	834.00	400.00
Cemetery annual care	500.00	381.00	375.00
Health	375.00	522.75	450.00
Income from municipally owned utilities:			
Water departments	10,000.00		10,000.00

Motor Vehicle permit fees	7,900.00	8,311.91	8,300.00
Social security	575.00	866.41	1,000.00
Amount raised by issue of bonds or notes	50,000.00	40,000.00	50,000 00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll taxes—reg. at \$2	1,652.00	1,798.00	1,798.00
National bank stock staxes	229.00	199.40	199.40
Total revenue from all sources except Property Taxes			\$91,212.31
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes			49,298.43
(Exclusive of county and school taxes)			
Total Revenues			\$138,510.74

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp'n's Previous Year 1953	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1953	Approp'n Recom. by B'g't Com 1954
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,718.91	\$ 2,800.00
Town officers' expenses	3,200.00	2,999.24	3,450.00
Election and registration exp.	200.00	204.41	450.00
Municipal court expenses	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	4,900.00	4,885.73	5,200.00
Town hall roof	800.00	800.00	
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police department	7,687.00	7,623.38	7,837.00
Fire department	4,300.00	4,284.02	7,150.00
Fire equipment	1,325.00	1,242.50	
Blister Rust			400.00
Insurance	600.00	553.09	600.00
Fire alarm	1,750.00	1,733.25	
Health:			
Health dept., incl. hospitals	1,600.00	1,555.69	1,600.00
Vital statistics	100.00	65.25	100.00
Sewer maintenance	1,000.00	925.27	1,000.00
Town dump & garbage removal	300.00	254.31	300.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Wilton Center Road	300.00	372.45	
Town maintenance—summer	9,000.00	9,838.11	9,500.00
Town maintenance—winter	9,000.00	9,463.92	10,000.00
Street lighting	2,451.48	2,706.93	2,800.00
Resurfacing	5,000.00	6,444.77	5,500.00

Town road aid	665.30	665.30	675.74
Bridges	1,500.00	1,176.06	500.00
Libraries:	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	3,500.00	3,674.63	3,100.00
Old age assistance	3,500.00	3,462.97	3,500.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and			
Veterans' Associations	300.00	300.00	300.00
Aid to soldiers & their families	100.00		100.00
Recreation:			
Parks and playgrounds, includ-			
ing band concerts	1,000.00	1,037.91	1,000.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Municipally owned water and			
electric utilities	10,000.00	6,603.64	10,000.00
Cemeteries	3,800.00	3,970.60	3,800.00
Livesey fund		412.69	
Unclassified:			
Accounting survey	200.00		
Damages and legal expenses,			
including dog damage	150.00	179.87	150.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	317.00	317.00	301.00
Employees' retirement and			
social security	1,150.00	1,979.91	2,000.00
Interest:			
On temporary loans	275.00	302.53	275.00
On long term notes	160.00	160.00	120.00
Parking lot			450.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Water hole	250.00		250.00
Second Cong'l. Church water			1.00
Street survey		10.00	
Maple Street sidewalk			1.00
Sidewalk construction	500.00		500.00
Laurel Hill Cemetery Road			150.00
New equipment—truck	2,300.00	2,300.00	
Mower	500.00	500.00	
Snow plow wing			500.00
Indebtedness:			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Temporary loans	50,000.00	40,000.00	50,000.00
Long term notes	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Expenditures			\$140,510.74

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land and buildings	\$1,844,800 00
Mature wood and timber	4,750 00
Electric plants	117,597 00
Horses, 24	1,600 00
Cows, 418	41,800 00
Neat stock, 20	1,000 00
Sheep and goats, 51	510 00
Hogs, 11	275 00
Fowls, 575	575 00
Fur bearing animals, 250	250 00
Vehicles, 1	300 00
Portable mills, 4	4,600 00
Road building and well drilling machinery	14,500 00
Wood and lumber	1,450 00
Gasoline pumps and tanks	2,940 00
Stock in trade	679,343 00
Mills and machinery	399,150 00

Total Gross Valuation	\$3,115,440 00
Less: Soldiers' Exemptions	97,167 00

Net Valuation Assessed 1953	\$3,018,273 00

Valuation Assessed 1952	3,177,321 00
Loss in Valuation	\$159,048 00
Tax Rate: \$4.96 per \$100.00	

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Town officers' salaries	\$2,700 00
Town officers' expenses	3,200 00
Social Security	1,150 00
Election and registration expenses	200 00
Municipal Court expenses	150 00
Town hall and buildings	4,900 00
Town hall roof	800 00
Police department	7,687 00
Fire department \$4300; Forest fire \$500	4,800 00
Hose and Air Packs	1,325 00
Fire alarm	1,750 00
Health department	1,600 00
Dump	300 00
Vital statistics	100 00
Town road aid	665 30
Town maintenance:	
Summer \$9000; Winter \$9000	18,000 00
Bridges	1,500 00
Resurfacing	5,000 00
Wilton Center tarring	300 00
Accounting survey	200 00
Insurance	600 00
Sidewalk construction	500 00
Street lighting	2,451 58
Sewer maintenance	1,000 00
Water hole	250 00
New Equipment:	
Truck \$2300; Lawnmower \$500	2,800 00
Libraries	2,000 00
Old age assistance	3,500 00
Public Relief:	
Town poor \$3500; Soldiers' aid \$100	3,600 00
Memorial Day	300 00
Parks and playgrounds	1,000 00

Water utilities	10,000 00
Cemeteries	3,800 00
Dogs	150 00
Monadnock Region Association	317 00
Payment on Debt:	
Principal \$2000; Interest \$160	2,160 00
Temporary loan interest	275 00
County tax	13,710 09
School tax	86,516 41
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Total Town and School Appropriation	\$191,137 38

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and dividends tax	\$12,058 91	
Railroad tax	222 32	
Savings bank tax	242 53	
Reimbursement a/c State and		
Federal lands	61 31	
Reimbursement a/c exemption of		
growing wood and timber	2,200 06	
Motor Vehicles permit fees	7,900 00	
Town officers' expenses	25 00	
Dog licenses	700 00	
Business licenses and permits	71 00	
Municipal Court	400 00	
Rent of town property	1,600 00	
Interest on taxes and income		
from trust funds	1,200 00	
Water and electric departments	10,000 00	
Highway	1,500 00	
Fire alarm	400 00	
Cemetery, annual care	500 00	
Health	375 00	
Forest fires	500 00	
Bounties	10 00	
Social Security deductions	575 00	
Total Revenues and Credits	-----	40,541 00
		\$150,716 25

Plus overlay	871 09
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	<u> </u> \$151,587 34
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Less:

826 of poll taxes at \$2	\$1652 00
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National bank stock taxes	229 00
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<u> </u>	1,881 00
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	\$149,706 34
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Taxes to be Committed to the Collector:

Property taxes	\$149,706 34
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Poll taxes at \$2	1,652 00
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National bank stock	229 00
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Total Taxes to be Committed	<u> </u> \$151,587 34
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Tax Rate, \$4.96 per \$100.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953

	Appropriation	Receipts	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft	Carried Over
Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,700.00	\$	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,718.91	\$	\$ 18.91	
Town officers' expenses	3,200.00	240.06	3,240.06	2,999.24	440.82		
Election & registration	200.00		200.00	204.41		4.41	
Court	150.00		150.00	150.00			
Town hall	3,500.00	1,993.50	5,493.50	4,885.73	607.77		
Town hall roof	800.00		800.00	800.00			
Police	7,687.00		7,687.00	7,623.38	63.62		
Fire department	4,300.00	303.38	4,603.38	4,284.02	319.36		
Fire alarm	1,350.00	834.00	2,184.00	1,733.25	450.75		
Fire equipment	1,325.00		1,325.00	1,242.50	82.50		
Workmen's Comp. Ins.	600.00	33.81	633.81	553.09	80.72		
Health	1,225.00	522.75	1,747.75	1,555.69	192.06		
Vital statistics	100.00		100.00	65.25	34.75		
Sewer maintenance	1,000.00	34.00	1,034.00	925.27	108.73		
Dump	300.00		300.00	254.31	45.69		
Summer	9,000.00	1,174.37	10,174.37	9,838.11	336.26		
Winter	9,000.00	299.40	9,299.40	9,463.92		164.52	
Resurfacing	5,000.00	564.29	5,564.29	6,444.77		880.48	
Bridges	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,176.06	323.94		

T. R. A.	665.30			665.30		
Wilton Center Road	300.00	50.00		372.45	22.45	
Street lighting	2,451.48			2,706.93	255.45	
Libraries	2,000.00			2,000.00		
Poor	3,500.00	595.27		3,674.63	420.64	
Old age assistance	3,500.00	317.49		3,462.97	354.52	
Memorial Day	300.00			300.00		
Aid to soldiers	100.00			100.00		
Parks & playgrounds	1,000.00			1,037.91	37.91	
Cemeteries	2,400.00	1,448.97		3,970.60	121.63	
Accounting survey	200.00			200.00		\$200.00
Dogs	150.00			179.87	29.87	
Monadnock Region	317.00			317.00		
Social security	585.00	1,434.53		1,979.91	39.62	
Interest—temporary loan	275.00	15.00		302.53	12.53	
Interest—long term	160.00			160.00		
Water hole	250.00			250.00		250.00
Sidewalk construction	500.00			500.00		500.00
Power lawnmower	500.00			500.00		
New truck	2,300.00			2,300.00		
Long term notes	2,000.00			2,000.00		
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	\$76,390.78	\$9,860.82	\$86,251.60	\$82,848.01	\$4,001.75	\$950.00
					1,548.16	
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					\$2,453.59 surplus	

FINANCIAL REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash:

In hands of treasurer	\$31,282 82
In hands of officials:	
(a) 10-year Government Bonds	4,000 00
(b) Interest	80 00

Capital Reserve Funds:

 Municipal Building Fund:

Principal	\$27,271 26
Interest	4,083 78
	----- 31,355 04

Accounts Due to the Town:

 Due from State:

(b) Bounties	19 25
(c) Forest land	64 43

 Other Bills due Town:

(a) Fines	374 42
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Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on acct. of)

(b) Levy of 1952	223 37
(c) Levy of 1951	119 92
(d) Previous Years	120 27

Uncollected Taxes:

(a) Levy of 1953	18,194 31
(b) Levy of 1952	40 12
(e) State Head Taxes — Levy of 1953	725 00
(f) State Head Taxes — Previous Years	5 00

Total Assets	\$86,603 95
Grand Total	\$86,603 95
Net Surplus, December 31, 1952	\$ 869 08
Net Surplus, December 31, 1953	3,364 35
Increase of Surplus	\$ 2,495 27

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Bills outstanding — Tax Collector	\$	4 00
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Unexpended Bal. of Spec. Appropriations:

Water hole		250 00
Street survey		165 85
Livesey Fund		30 52
Accounting survey		200 00
Sidewalk construction		500 00
Water Department		17,177 28

Due to State:

(a) State Head Taxes — 1953		
(Uncollected \$725.) (Collected—not remitted to State Treas. \$315.50)		1,040 50

Due to School Districts:

Balance of appropriation		26,516 41
Capital Reserve Funds		31,355 04
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
Arch Bridge		6,000 00

Total Liabilities		\$83,239 60
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Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)		3,364 35
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Grand Total		\$86,603 95
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RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:**From Local Taxes:**

1. Property taxes—current year—1953	\$132,141 34
2. Poll Taxes—current year— regular at \$2—1953	1,584 00
3. National Bank Stock taxes, 1953	199 40
4. Yield Taxes, 1953	1,038 58
5. State Head Taxes at \$5, '53	4,965 00
6. Total current year's taxes collected and remitted	----- \$139,928 32
7. Property Taxes and Yield Taxes—previous years	24,551 87
8. Poll Taxes—previous years—reg. at \$2	202 60
9. State Head Taxes at \$5—previous years	660 00
10. Interest received on Taxes	536 30
11. Penalties on State Head Taxes	88 00
12. Tax sales redeemed	2,457 38

From State:

14. Interest and Dividend Tax	12,058 91
15. Railroad Tax	283 30
16. Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	242 55
17. Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	61 31
18. Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	700 70
19. National forest reserve	231 59
20. Fighting forest fires	303 88
21. Bounties	13 25
22. Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	317 49

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

24. Dog licenses	683 85
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PAYMENTS For Year Ending December 31, 1953

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1. Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,718 91
2. Town officers' expenses	2,999 24
3. Election and registration expenses	204 41
4. Municipal court expenses	150 00
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	4,885 73
Town hall roof	800 00

Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police department	7,623 38
7. Fire alarm	1,733 25
8. Fire department, including forest fires	4,284 02
9. Scott Air Packs and hose	1,242 50
10. Bounties	19 25
11. Damage by dogs	179 87
12. Insurance	553 09

Health:

14. Health department, including hospitals	1,555 69
15. Vital statistics	65 25
16. Sewer maintenance	925 27
17. Town dumps and garbage removal	254 31

Highways and Bridges:

Bridges	1,176 06
18. Town Road Aid	665 30
19. Town maintenance (summer \$9838.11) (winter \$9463.92)	19,302 03
20. Street lighting	2,706 93
21. Resurfacing	6,444 77
Wilton Center tarring	372 45

RECEIPTS

25. Business licenses, permits and filing fees	70 75
26. Fines and forfeits, municipal court	400 50
27. Rent of town property	1,993 50
28. Interest received on deposits	595 27
29. Income from trust funds	1,007 97
30. Income from departments	3,956 18
32. Income from municipal water and electric departments	9,537 40
33. Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits	124 52
Registration of motor vehicles, 1953 permits	8,566 06

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

34. Temporary loans in anticipa- tion of taxes during year	\$40,000 00
37. Insurance adjustments	33 81
38. Refunds	881 41
40. New Trust Funds received during year	700 00
Social Security	568 32
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	----- 42,183 54
Total Receipts from All Sources	----- \$251,756 99
Cash on hand January 1, 1953	18,663 73
Grand Total	----- \$270,420 72

PAYMENTS **For Year Ending December 31, 1953**

PAYMENTS

Libraries:

22. Libraries 2,000 00

Public Welfare:

23. Old age assistance 3,462 97

24. Town poor 3,674 63

Patriotic Purposes:

26. Memorial Day and Veterans' Assoc. 300 00

Recreation:

28. Parks & playgrounds, incl. band concerts 1,037 91

Public Service Enterprises:

29. Municipal water and elec. depts. 6,603 64

30. Cemeteries, including hearse hire 3,970 60

31. Livesey Fund 412 69

Unclassified:

32. Street survey 10 00

33. Advertising and Regional Associations 317 00

34. Taxes bought by town 240 86

37. Employees' Retirement & Social Security 1,979 91

Total Current Maintenance Expenses \$84,871 92

Interest:

38. Paid on temporary loans in
 anticipation of taxes \$302 53

39. Paid on long term notes 160 00

Total Interest Payments ----- 462 53

Outlay for New Construction,

Equip. & Perm. Improv.:

49. New equip. (Highway \$23) \$2800 00

Total Outlay Payments ----- 2,800 00

PAYMENTS **For Year Ending December 31, 1953**

PAYMENTS

Indebtedness:

51. Payments on temporary loans		
in anticipation of taxes	\$40,000	00
52. Payments on long term notes	2,000	00
55. Payments to trustees of		
trust funds (new funds)	850	00
Total Indebtedness Payments	-----	42,850 00

Payments to Other Gov. Div.:

56. State Head Taxes paid		
State Treasurer	\$ 5,162	98
57. Taxes paid to County	13,710	09
59. Payments to School Districts		
(1952 Tax \$29,280.38)		
(1953 Tax \$60,000.00)	89,280	38
Total Payments to Other	-----	
Governmental Divisions		108,153 45

Total Payments for All Purposes	\$239,137	90
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1953	31,282	82

Grand Total \$270,420 72

SCHEDULE OF TOWN OF WILTON BONDS OUTSTANDING

Arch Bridge Bonds, due July 1, \$2000 each year, 2%	\$8,000 00
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, lands and buildings	\$50,000 00
Furniture and equipment	1,000 00
Libraries, lands and buildings	50,000 00
Furniture and equipment	10,000 00
Fire department, lands and buildings	2,500 00
Equipment	11,335 00
Highway department, lands and buildings	500 00
Equipment	14,654 00
Parks, commons and playgrounds	4,000 00
Water supply, if owned by town	128,000 00
Schools, lands and buildings	445,100 00
Equipment	25,000 00
All lands and buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
40 acres Eaton land	\$ 500 00
1/4 acre Chase Homestead	1000 00
	----- 1,500 00
Land for Old Store	50 00
Town Forest:	
Frye land	\$320 00
6 acres Howard land	30 00
10 acres Fraser land	250 00
	----- 600 00
Town dump land	203 00
Quigley Garage land	3,326 20
Sullivan's Blacksmith Shop	3,000 00
Parking lot	3,500 00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

AUTO ACCOUNT

Amount received for 1158 auto permits:

35 1952 permits	\$ 124 52
1123 1953 permits	8575 20
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	\$8699 72
Paid Town Treasurer	\$8690 58
Refunded for unused permits	9 14
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	\$8699 72

DOG ACCOUNT

Received for dog licenses:

160 male dogs for full year	\$322 50
5 male dogs for part year	7 34
47 spayed female dogs for full year	94 00
2 spayed female dogs for part year	3 34
36 female dogs for full year	181 00
2 female dogs for part year	6 67
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	\$614 85
2 kennel licenses, 5 dogs	24 00
1 kennel license, 10 dogs	20 00
1 kennel license, over 10 dogs	25 00
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	\$683 85
Paid Town Treasurer	\$683 85

KENNETH R. DUNHAM,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Summary of Collections

From January 1, 1953 to March 5, 1953

1952 Property Taxes	\$4644 29
1952 Poll Taxes	74 00
1952 Interest Collected	60 76
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	\$4779 05
1952 Head Taxes	\$245 00
1952 Head Tax Interest	24 50
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	\$269 50
Total Remittance to Treasurer	\$5048 55
\$4779.05 @ 1/2 %	\$23 90
269.50 @ 2 % on Head Taxes and Interest	5 39
	<hr/>
Total Due Collector	\$29 29

ELNA D. STEVENS,
Tax Collector.

Levy of 1953

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$149,706 34
Poll Taxes	1,798 00
National Bank Stock Tax	199 40
Total Warrant	<hr/> \$151,703 74
Yield Taxes	1,497 93
Added Taxes:	
Polls	56 00
Yield	1 40
Interest Collected	40 27
Overpayment to Treasurer	4 00
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Total Debits	\$153,303 34

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$132,141 34
Poll Taxes	1,584 00

National Bank Stock Tax	199 40
Yield Taxes	1,038 58
Interest Collected	40 27
Total Remittances	-----\$135,003 59

Abatements:

Property	69 44
Polls	36 00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property	17,495 56
Polls	238 00
Yield	460 75

\$153,303 34

STATE HEAD TAX

Levy of 1953

Dr.

Original Warrant	\$5530 00
Added Taxes	225 00
Total Commitment	----- \$5755 00
Penalties Collected	20 50

Total Debits \$5775 50

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$4965 00
Penalties	20 50
Abatements	65 00
Uncollected as per Collector's List	725 00
Total Credits	----- \$5775 50

DANIEL R. BATCHELDER,
Tax Collector.

Levy of 1952

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of March 9, 1953:

Property Taxes	\$20,099 23
Poll Taxes	124 60
Yield Taxes	29 43

Added Taxes:	
Polls	20 00
Yield	19 00
Interest Collected	435 27
Total Debits	<u>\$20,727 53</u>

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property Taxes	\$19,865 89
Poll Taxes	128 60
Yield Taxes	31 79
Interest Collected	435 27
Total Remittances	<u>----- \$20,461 55</u>

Abatements:	
Property	193 22
Polls	16 00
Yield	16 64
Uncollected Property	40 12
Total Credits	<u>\$20,727 53</u>

Dr.

Head Taxes Uncollected Mar. 9, 1953	\$426 50
Penalties	41 60
Additional	60 00
Total Debits	<u>\$528 00</u>

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer	\$458 00
Uncollected	5 00
Abated	65 00
Total Credits	<u>\$528 00</u>

TAX SALES ACCOUNT

1952

Sold to Town, Current Fiscal Year	\$240 86
Interest and Costs	5 29
	<u>----- \$246 15</u>

Redeemed:	
Remitted to Treasurer	\$ 22 78

Unredeemed, Edwin Leavenworth	223 37	
	-----	\$246 15
	1951	
Unredeemed	\$2524 42	
Costs	2 69	
	-----	\$2527 11
Remittances to Treasurer	\$2407 19	
Unredeemed:		
John Thompson	39 21	
Helen Wylie	78 66	
Abatement	2 05	
	-----	\$2527 11
	1950	
Unredeemed	\$143 21	
Interest after Sale	4 47	
	-----	\$147 68
Remittances to Treasurer	\$27 41	
Unredeemed:		
John S. Thompson	40 66	
Helen Wylie	79 61	
	-----	\$147 68
DANIEL R. BATCHELDER,		
Tax Collector.		

Summary of Remittances to Treasurer		
1953	\$135,003 59	
1953 Head	4,965 00	
Penalties	20 50	
1952	20,461 55	
1952 Head \$415 & Int. \$43	458 00	
1952 Redeemed	22 78	
1951 Yield	9 90	
1951 Redeemed	2,407 19	
1950 Redeemed	27 41	

	\$163,375 92	

DANIEL R. BATCHELDER,
Tax Collector.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Dr.	
Cash on hand January 1, 1953	\$ 18,663 73
Received from All Sources	251,188 67
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	\$269,852 40

Cr.	
Payments as per Selectmen's Orders	\$238,569 58
Cash on hand December 31, 1953	31,282 82
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	\$269,852 40

J. E. RAYMOND,
Town Treasurer.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:

Appropriation \$2700; Expended \$2718.29	
Selectmen	\$1300 00
Tax Collectors	963 91
Treasurer	150 00
Town Clerk	100 00
Overseer of Poor	100 00
Auditors	80 00
Trustee	25 00

	\$2718 29

Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:

Appropriation \$3200; Expended \$2999.24	
Received:	
Telephone	\$ 8.47
Head tax refund and exp.	231.59

	\$240.06
Printing town reports, etc.	\$785 60
Commissions	611 02
Bonds	285 62
Supplies	277 37
Clerical	520 00
Other expenses	346 83
Phone	172 80

	\$2999 24

Detailed 3. Election and Registration:

Appropriation \$200.00; Expended \$204.41	
Received — Filing Fees, \$3.00	
Election Officers	\$44 00
Printing and expense	85 41
Supervisors	75 00

	\$204 41

Detail 4. Municipal Court Expenses:

Appropriation \$150.00; Expended \$150.00	
Paid H. D. Cheever	\$150 00

Detail 5. Town Hall:

Appropriation \$4900.00; Expended \$4885.75

Received from C. W. Jowders, \$1993.50

Janitor's salary	\$2340 00	
Fuel	1047 87	
Lights	551 44	
Insurance	471 50	
Supplies	295 68	
Repairs	179 24	
	-----	\$4885 73

Town Hall Roof:

Appropriated \$800; Expended \$800.

Paid H. & B. Roofing Co. \$800 00

Detail 6. Police Department:

Appropriation \$7687; Expended \$7623.38

Received from Lions Club, \$27.90

Salaries	\$7301 50	
Rent	100 00	
Uniform	100 00	
Lights	44 93	
Other expenses	76 95	
	-----	\$7623 38

Detail 7. Fire Alarm:

Appropriation \$1750; Expended \$1733.25

Received — Town of Lyndeboro, \$834

Salary	\$1608 00	
Phone	125 25	
	-----	\$1733 25

Detail 8. Fire Department:

Appropriation \$4300; Expended \$4284.02

Received for Forest Fires, \$303.88

Pay roll	\$2514 54	
Insurance	523 26	
Repairs	271 45	
Lights and gas	224 11	
Fuel and phone	264 19	

New equipment	486 47	
	-----	\$4284 02

Detail 9. Scott Air Packs and Hose:

Appropriation \$1325; Expended \$1242.50	
Paid American Fire Equipment Co.	\$1242 50

Detail 10. Bounties:

Paid for 39 porcupines	\$19 25
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Detail 11. Damage by Dogs:

Appropriation \$150; Expended \$179.87	
Dog Officer	\$75 00
Commissions	54 20
Supplies	50 67

	\$179 87

Detail 12. Workmen's Compensation Ins.:

Appropriation \$600; Expended \$553.09	
Received refund, \$33.81	
Paid American Mutual Liab. Ins. Co.	\$553 09

Detail 14. Health Department:

Appropriation \$1600; Expended \$1555.69	
Received from E. J. Gilbert, R.N., \$522.75	
Town Nurse salary	\$1440 00
Health Officer's salary	100 00
Supplies	15 69

	\$1555 69

Detail 15. Vital Statistics:

Appropriation \$100; Expended \$65.25	
Paid for commissions and expenses	\$65 25

Detail 16. Sewer Maintenance:

Appropriation \$1000; Expended \$925.27	
Received — D. Whiting & Sons, \$34	
Pay roll	\$282 00
Repairs	343 41
Materials	299 26

	\$925 27

Detail 17. Town Dump:

Appropriation \$300; Expended \$254.31		
Pay roll	\$225 45	
Materials	28 86	
	-----	\$254 31

Bridges:

Appropriation \$1500; Expended \$1176.06		
Pay roll	\$420 10	
Materials	755 96	
	-----	\$1176 06

Detail 18. Town Road Aid:

Appropriation \$665.30; Expended \$665.30		
State's share	\$4435 30	
Town's share	665 30	
Total	-----	\$5100 60
		\$665 30

Detail 19. Summer:

Appropriation \$9000; Expended \$9838.11		
Received from L. A. Gibbons, \$1174.37		
Pay roll	\$6699 15	
Repairs	1592 30	
Telephone and lights	43 19	
Rent and insurance	303 00	
Gas and oil	1200 47	
	-----	\$9838 11

Winter:

Appropriation \$9000; Expended \$9463.92		
Received from L. A. Gibbons, \$299.40		
Pay roll	\$5002 98	
Repairs	1566 40	
Materials	1718 93	
Rent, insurance and lights	445 41	
Gas and oil	730 20	
	-----	\$9463 92

Detail 20. Street Lighting:

Appropriation \$2451.93; Expended \$2706.93

Paid Public Service Co. of N. H. \$2706 93

Detail 21. Resurfacing:

Appropriation \$5000; Expended \$6444.77

Received from L. A. Gibbons, \$564.29

Pay roll \$ 643 40

Materials 5801 37

----- \$6444 77

Wilton Center Tarring:

Appropriation \$300; Expended \$372.45

Received from L. A. Gibbons, \$50

Pay roll \$211 65

Materials 160 85

----- \$372 45

Detail 22. Libraries:

Appropriation \$2000; Expended \$2000

Paid J. E. Draper, Treas. \$2000 00

Detail 23. Old Age Assistance:

Appropriation \$3500; Expended \$3462.97

Refund from Dr. C. E. Farnum, \$317.49

Paid to State Dept. Public Welfare \$3462 97

Detail 24. Town Poor:

Appropriation \$3500; Expended \$3674.63

Received \$595.27

Paid on order of Overseer of Poor \$3674 63

Detail 26. Memorial Day:

Appropriation \$300; Expended \$300

Paid R. J. Stanton, Treas., Bent Burke Post \$300 00

Detail 28. Parks and Playgrounds:

Appropriation \$1000; Expended \$1037.91

Pay roll \$646 65

Supervisors 200 00

Materials 191 26

----- \$1037 91

Detail 30. Cemeteries:

Appropriation \$3800; Expended \$3970.60

Received:

Trust funds \$1007.97

Mowing and sale of lot 60.00

Annual care 381.00

\$1448.97

Pay roll \$2874 17

Repairs and materials 1096 43

\$3970 60**Detail 31. Livesey Fund:**

Available \$443.21; Expended \$412.69

Pay roll \$363 00

Materials 49 69

\$412 69**Detail 32. Street Survey:**

Available \$175.85; Expended \$10

Paid N. W. Draper \$10 00

Detail 33. Monadnock Region:

Appropriation \$317; Expended \$317

Paid Monadnock Region Association \$317 00

Detail 34. Taxes Bought By Town:

Paid Tax Collector \$240 86

Detail 37. Employees' Retirement:

Appropriation \$1150; Expended \$1979.71

Refund, \$866.41

Paid N. H. Dept Public Welfare \$1979 71

Detail 38. Temporary Loans Interest:

Appropriation \$275; Expended \$302.53

Paid Wilton National Bank \$302 53

Detail 39. Long Term Notes Interest:

Appropriation \$160; Expended \$160

Paid Wilton National Bank \$160 00

Detail 49. New Equipment

Appropriation: Town Truck \$2300

Power Mower \$500

Paid Clarence A. Smith Garage, Inc. \$2300 00

Paid Stills Nursery & Tractor Co. \$500 00

Detail 51. Temporary Loans:

Paid Wilton National Bank \$40,000 00

Detail 52. Long Term Notes — Arch Bridge:

Paid Wilton National Bank \$2000 00

Detail 55. Trustee Trust Funds:

Paid Treas. Trustee Trust Funds \$850 00

Detail 56. Head Taxes:

Paid Treas. of N. H. for Head Taxes \$5162 98

Detail 57. County Taxes:

Paid County Treasurer \$13,710 09

Detail 58. School District:

Paid School District Treas. \$89,280 38

Withholding Taxes:

Paid Director of Internal Revenue \$2438 20

WILTON PUBLIC AND GREGG FREE LIBRARY

TRUSTEES

Harold D. Cheever	President
Fanny Myer	Secretary
J. Elmer Draper	Treasurer
Andrea Abbott	
John H. Wilson	
Donald Proctor	
Librarian	Mildred C. French
Assistant Librarian	Evelyn Jowders
Custodian	Eugene Rideout

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Number of volumes Dec. 31, 1952	8023
Number of volumes purchased	466
Number of volumes added by gift	87
Number of volumes withdrawn	370

Total number of volumes Dec. 31, 1953	8206
Number of magazines purchased	41
Number of magazines added by gift	12
Number of newspapers added by gift	1

Circulation

Library open 147 days		
Adult fiction	6395	
Juvenile fiction	4313	
Total	-----	10,708
Adult non-fiction	2441	
Juvenile non-fiction	1234	
Total	-----	3,675
Adult magazines	2067	
Juvenile magazines	293	
Total	-----	2,360
Total Circulation		----- 16,743

Books given by: Mrs. Frederick Bird, Mr. Shirley Carr, Lions Club, Miss Augusta Putnam, Mrs. Van der Hayden, Mrs. Elmer Felch, Miss Evelyn Jowders, Andrew Galloway, Miss Hazel Jowders, Mrs. John E. Powers, Mrs. Leland Stone, Mrs. Rhoda Bohn; gift books in memory of Alan Gregg and family.

We thank all who have so generously given books. They have been greatly enjoyed by the borrowers.

The State Bookmobile leaves books at our library every two months.

Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 come to the library during school hours. The teachers help their pupils select their books. The bus pupils also come.

During Whooper Week a very fine exhibition of products manufactured by E. B. Frye and Son was on display at our library. This proved to be of great interest to the public. Thank you, Mr. Whitney Frye, for your cooperation.

Sorry the other business men interviewed were not interested in sending an exhibit.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED C. FRENCH,
Librarian.

WILTON PUBLIC AND GREGG FREE LIBRARY REPORT OF TREASURER

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1953	\$ 702 98
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Receipts:

C. F. Blanchard Fund	221 00
George G. Blanchard Fund	12 50
A. H. Burns Fund	67 40
C. H. Burns Fund	118 89
James Day Fund	232 50
David A. Gregg Fund	939 55
A. L. Keyes Fund	100 00
Clara Lewis Fund	286 30

E. A. Newell Fund	140 85	
George Newell Fund	31 50	
A. M. Pendleton Fund	455 45	
George A. Whiting Fund	314 92	
Donations	110 75	
Fines	175 50	
Town Appropriation	2000 00	
Wilton Band Record Fund	92 58	
Junk	1 00	
Total	-----	\$6003 67
Disbursements:		
Salaries	\$1816 00	
Fuel	362 77	
Books	950 33	
Magazines	81 70	
Electricity	226 78	
Telephone	63 20	
Fire Insurance	212 84	
Building Expense	457 03	
Supplies	97 11	
Miscellaneous	33 10	
Investment Account	784 68	
Total	-----	5085 54
Cash on hand December 31, 1953		\$ 918 13
J. ELMER DRAPER,		
		Treasurer.

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

During the past year we had to replace a great many services and pipes due to rust filling them, thereby reducing the pressure. More will have to be replaced this year.

There were also a few breaks in the water system and a number of goosenecks had to be replaced.

NORMAN W. DRAPER,
JAMES L. SHELDON,
LYNN W. POTTER,
Water Commissioners.

WATER REPORT

Dr.	
Uncollected, 1952	\$2,704 33
May water rates	4,194 07
November water rates	4,538 58
Digging, etc.	525 67
Overpayment, 1953	80 77
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	\$12,043 42

Cr.	
Deposited to Treasurer	\$9,537 40
Uncollected, 1953	2,477 28
Overpayment, 1952	9 65
Abatement	19 09
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	\$12,043 42

Financial Statement

Dr.	
Maintenance	\$6,603 64
Cr.	
Cash paid to Treasurer	\$9,537 40
Due from town Dec. 31, 1953	\$ 2,933 76
Due from town Dec. 31, 1952	14,243 52
Total Due from Town	<hr/> \$17,177 28

Water Works Expenses

Pay roll	\$1459 42	
Materials	1989 13	
Repairs	1852 44	
Care of Chlorinator	378 00	
Insurance and lights	126 89	
Rent and trimming trees	80 00	
Bleach and express	387 76	
Clerical and salaries	330 00	
	-----	\$6603 64

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WILTON

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Balance of Funds December 31, 1952:

	Principal	Un. Income	Total
198 Cemetery Funds	\$27,640.00	\$1,946.54	\$29,586.54
Hannah Howard School Fund	2,430.00		2,430.00
Issac Spalding School Fund	10,260.00		10,260.00
Hattie Livesey School Fund	8,139.03		8,139.03
Capital Reserve Fund	27,271.26	3,183.42	30,454.68
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	\$75,740.29	\$5,129.96	\$80,870.25

Add Receipts from Jan. 1, 1953 to Dec. 31, 1953:

Charles Perusse	\$150 00	
Arthur Beaver	150 00	
Robert F. Keilling	150 00	
E. O. Adams	150 00	
Ethel Hopkins	200 00	
George and Elizabeth Wright	150 00	
John Baldwin	100 00	
Charles Bales	300 00	
Income, Spalding Fund	428 22	
Income, Hattie Livesey Fund	413 05	
Income, Hannah Howard Fund	189 41	
Income, Cemetery Funds	874 61	
Income, Capital Reserve Fund	900 36	
Income, N. E. Electric Stock	3 60	
	<hr/>	4,159 25
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Total		\$85,029 50

Deduct Expenditures:

Treasurer School District	\$1030 68	
Town of Wilton, care of lots, 1953	1007 97	
	<hr/>	2,038 65
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Balance of Funds		\$82,990 85

ANALYSIS OF BALANCE OF FUNDS

	Principal	Un. Income	Total
205 Cemetery Funds	\$28,990.00	\$1,816.78	\$30,806.78
Hannah Howard School Fund	2,430.00		2,430.00

Issac Spalding School Fund	10,260.00		10,260.00
Hattie Livesey School Fund	8,139.03		8,139.03
Capital Reserve Fund	27,271.26	4,083.78	31,355.04
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	\$77,090.29	\$5,900.56	\$82,990.85

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS,
By F. Howard Bardol, Treasurer.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

I herewith submit a report of the Wilton Police Department from January 1, 1953 to January 1, 1954.

Aid rendered emergency calls	43
Articles reported lost	15
Articles returned to owners	7
Articles not claimed	9
Auto accidents reported and investigated	50
Assault and battery	2
Assault with dangerous weapon	1
Allowing improper person to operate	1
Breaking-entering and larceny	2
Bicycles reported missing	8
Bicycles recovered	8
Buying beer for minors	1
Calls to other departments	43
Calls from other departments	51
Careless and negligent operating	6
Complaints received and investigated	61
Dead cats removed from highways	7
Dogs killed by auto	6
Dogs killed for owners	7
Dogs returned to owners	8
Dog complaints investigated	15
Doors found unlocked and reported	31
Drunks	5
Driving under the influence	4
Drunk and disorderly conduct	2
Delinquent dog taxes for collection	31
Deer killed by auto	3
Family troubles	35
Failing to keep to right (resulting in accident)	1
Failing to stop at stop sign	5
Falsely representing age to buy beer	2
Homes found for dogs	3
Improper registration	1

Juvenile cases	2
Juvenile investigations	15
Larceny of laurel	2
Larceny of junk	1
Lodgers and tramps	14
Misuse of auto plates	3
Missing persons	3
Miles traveled (approximately)	12,000
Number of persons injured in auto accidents	9
Operating without registration	1
Operating without license	2
Operating without inspection	2
Overloaded trucks	1
Passing on left of solid yellow line	2
Parking violations from Jan. 1 to Jan. 1	22
Police courtesy cards issued	68
Rape	1
Road hazards removed	8
Speeding	6
Safe keeping	5
Summer homes checked	21
Street lights reported out	68
Stolen cars recovered	1
Skunks removed from buildings	3
Total number of cars checked	42,095

I also wish to thank Seregant Conti and Trooper McBain of the N. H. State Police for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. DRAYTON,
Chief of Police.

**MUNICIPAL COURT OF WILTON, N. H.
FINANCIAL REPORT — 1953**

Received:

Total fines, fees and costs collected,	
criminal docket	\$862 00
Entry fees in civil cases and small claims dept.	19 10
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	\$881 10

Paid Out:

Fines paid to State of New Hampshire	\$468 00
Paid Charles B. Sullivan, Esq., services as	
Special Justice	30 00
Paid N. H. Assoc. of Municipal Court Judges, dues	5 00
Paid registered letter postage on small claims	3 68
Paid Town of Wilton, N. H., to balance account	374 42
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	\$881 10

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD D. CHEEVER,
Justice.

DISTRICT NURSING REPORT — 1953

Emergency Night	1
Treatments	37
Bedside Care	57
Intra Muscular Injections	283
Hypodermic Injections	11
Urine Tests	302
Insulin Injections	302
Foot Care	17
Visits, Aged	32
Ambulance to Hospital	1
Baby Care, New Born	6
Abdominal Dressings	4
A. R. C. Visits	6
A. R. C. Meetings	1
A. R. C. Telegrams	3
A. R. C. Blood Bank	1 day
Total Collections	\$497 75
Gift	25 00
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Total	\$522 75

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA J. GILBERT, R.N.

REPORT OF WILTON FIRE DEPARTMENT—1953

Total number of calls 36

27 local; 9 mutual aid calls

Bell alarms 17; still alarms 19

Oil burners	1
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Grass fires	10
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Brush	3
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Building	3
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Automobiles	4
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Chimney	4
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Dump	2
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Fire investigations	2
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Flushing gasoline from service drains	3
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Use of resuscitator	4
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Number of fire permits issued	126
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Fire loss	\$245.35
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Fire loss covered by insurance	\$245.35
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Meetings are held first Tuesday of each month.

On September 22-23, a fire training school was held at Portsmouth. This was held on a Saturday and Sunday. We had seven men who attended the school. Next year we hope to be able to send more.

Our Appropriation for 1954:

We recommend for maintenance	\$4300 00
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Forest fire	500 00
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For repairing and painting of the inside of the fire station	600 00
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\$5400 00

We are pleased to report our fire loss was small. Let's keep it that way.

I wish to thank the Commissioners and Deputies and members of the Department for their cooperation.

WILFRID B. BERUBE, Chief
LAWRENCE PARO, Deputy
ERNEST CLARK, Deputy

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN — 1953

Number of fire permits issued	126
Number of fires	2
Acreage burned	2

We have been fortunate in being called before the fires have had too big a head way.

Help keep our forests green!

WILFRID B. BERUBE, Warden
LAWRENCE PARO, Deputy
ERNEST CLARK, Deputy
J. V. TUTTLE, Deputy
ARTHUR KEILIG, Deputy



WILTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TRUCK

HIGHWAY REPORT FOR 1953

In the Highway Report this year, I will as in the past try to give a general outline of what we have done this past year.

The winter maintenance this past year was not very bad as we had only one large snow storm, that on January 9, 1953, which deposited sixteen inches of snow. After that there was very little snow for the rest of the year, the remainder of the storms not being very large. It still cost quite a lot to salt and sand as it takes as much salt and sand for two inches of snow or sleet as it does for a large storm, sometimes, even more. One of the good things about a mild winter is that it gives us a chance to cut brush on the road sides which otherwise we would not be able to do; between mowing with the tractor in the summer and what we were able to do this winter, the brush has been cut on every piece of road that the Town of Wilton maintains.

In the Summer Maintenance, we also had a very good year, as the rain storms were not heavy, therefore not causing the roads to wash very much. Nevertheless, we did have quite a busy summer, as we had some extra work to do.

We built and tarred a new road at the Wilton Center Church and Grange Hall; also 4/10th of a mile of road from the old 101 Highway at Wilton Center to the home of Howard Peters. This piece of road has always given considerable trouble to the department by washing out every time there was a heavy rain. On this section of road, we used a road mix of asphalt which we believe to be a big improvement over the old method of tarring. We also graveled and tarred a large play area for the Wilton School.

During the summer under the resurfacing program, we blacked 1.5 miles of road known as the Lyndeboro Center Road leading to the upper end of Dale street to the Lyndeboro line. This piece of road we also did with a road mix, which is done by putting MC-3 asphalt on the gravel and mixing it in to a depth of approximately three inches with a road grader, making a much better road than putting the old type of tar which was spread over the gravel. This section of road was rebuilt by TRA funds in 1952. We also tarred 2.5 miles of old tar roads and spread 33 tons of chloride on gravel roads to help keep the dust down and keep them smooth.

The T. R. A. fund this year we used to gravel 1.1 miles of the Burton highway from the end of the tarred road at the Stiles Farms to the Temple line. This we are planning to tar this coming season, which will complete this section of road. We also started building the Kimball Heights road which is a one mile stretch leading from the Greenville road to the Batchelder and Heald farms. This piece of road has always been very narrow and heavily wooded and required a lot of work to widen. We were able to put in new culverts which

were needed, and to widen it out with what money we had last year. This year it will only have to be graveled.

At this time, I would like to inform those who do not know it, that the town was given back 5.8 miles of road by the State Highway Department; due to the construction of the new by-pass. This is going to add a large expense to the town Highway Department from now on, especially in the winter months. There is one stretch of this road known as Burns Hill, which is three miles long, two thirds of which are long hills. They take a large amount of salt and sanding. In the summer months they will require a lot of work during heavy rains.

It might be of interest to many of you to know the Town now has 28 miles of dirt roads, 19 miles of tarred roads, 6.8 miles of State Aid road; a total of 53.8 miles. Over two-thirds of these roads are long hills, making the cost to maintain much higher.

This past year we purchased a new 1-ton model R-132 International truck, which has a steel dump body with a capacity of one and one-half cubic yards; 650-16 dual tires. This truck we have found to be a great asset to the department for maintenance purposes, such as patching tar roads, salting, sanding, and many other types of light maintenance.

In closing, I would like to thank my employees and all those who helped the Highway Department or myself in any way during the past year.

LAWRENCE A. GIBBONS,
Road Agent.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Town cases paid on order from Overseer of the Poor	\$3674 63
County cases that went through the office of Overseer of the Poor	\$434 00

As in other years, a great many people are receiving aid under various classifications, including Old Age Assistance, Aid for Needy Blind, Aid for Dependent Children and direct State Aid. None of these accounts go through the office of Overseer of the Poor.

JAMES L. SHELDON,
Overseer of the Poor.

REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have completed our audit of the books of the various town officers for the year ending December 31, 1953 and find them correct and in good order.

The records of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, Judge of the Municipal Court, Water Department, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and Trustees of the Wilton Public Library were checked.

The uncollected accounts of the Tax Collector and Water Department have been verified by sending individual notices to each debtor, this being the usual accepted practice.

Our new Tax Collector, Mr. Daniel R. Batchelder, has worked diligently and has been able to reduce the amount of taxes outstanding at the end of the year.

We recommend the purchase of a safe for the Selectmen's room and this has been approved by the budget committee.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the town officers for their cooperation with us during the progress of the audit and especially to Mrs. Elizabeth French for her very kind and helpful assistance with the detail.

J. ELMER DRAPER,
SAMUEL G. PROCTOR,
Auditors of Wilton.

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriages Registered in the Town of Wilton, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1953

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Official Station, Residence of Person By Whom Married
Jan. 3, Wilton	Gerard Philias Gould Marie Alice Rose Garipey	Leominster, Mass.	29	Philias J. Gould Elmire S. Cornier	Canada	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Jan. 18, Wilton	Edward Saba Mary Evelyn Lloyd	Leominster, Mass. Woburn, Mass.	25 33	Ovide J. Garipey Dorilla M. Lyonnais John A. Saba Ida Owen	Canada Syria Syria Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Jan. 31, Wilton	Philip Frank Martus, Jr. Marlene Joyce Starkweather	Peterboro Wilton	18 17	Benjamin C. Rix Olive E. Webber Philip F. Martus Sr. Annette F. Paine	Maine Massachusetts Massachusetts New Hampshire	John Henry Wilson Clergyman Wilton
Jan. 31, Wilton	Howard Grey Watkins Margaret Jane Fairfield	Merrimack Wilton	23 22	Harold Starkweather Hele L. Andres Grey B. Watkins Margaret C. Leuz	Vermont New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire	John Henry Wilson Clergyman Wilton
Feb. 10, Nashua	Gerald Ray Smith Beverly Jean Shipley	Wilton Nashua	29 24	Edmund Fairfield Velma I. Nickerson Bernard W. Smith Mary E. Johnson	New Hampshire Massachusetts Massachusetts New Hampshire	Denton J. Neily Clergyman Nashua
Feb. 26, Wilton	Albert Theodore Dick Vianna Leona McDonald	Wilton Wilton	61 50	Bertha Grace Guptill Caroline Gilcher Harry H. Dodge Margaret H. Dowdell	Maine Germany Germany Ireland	John Henry Wilson Clergyman Wilton
Mar. 9, Wilton	Adam J. Lavenskie Jr. Madeline Eleanor Doucette	Witchendon, Mass. Stafford Springs, Conn.	30 29	Adam J. Lavenskie Sr. Yvonne Sorel Margaret H. Anderson Francis L. Couette	Poland New Hampshire Massachusetts Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Apr. 4, Wilton	Lauriston Herbert Sanborn Mary Lou Smith	Wilton	39 18	Herbert I. Sanborn Wilma S. Hall George F. Smith Alice R. Leonard	Maine Maine Vermont Vermont	E. M. Jones Clergyman Milford
Apr. 11, Wilton	Harold Harper Richardson Rita Roseanna Leduc	Milford Wilton	26 18	Harry P. Richardson M. Florence Harper Aram W. Leduc Medora F. Legassey	New Hampshire Canada Rhode Island Rhode Island	E. A. Murphy Clergyman Wilton

Apr. 25, Wilton	John Arthur Russell	Everett, Mass.	41	Peter Russell Edna Hall	Finland	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
	Mary Frances Quinton	Everett, Mass.	42	Edmund G. Quinton Ann F. Keleher	Ireland	
Apr. 25, Nashua	Albert Mullen	Wilton	34	Alfred Carrigan Ethel Broderick	Massachusetts	Paul R. Walker Clergyman
	Doris Helen Carrigan	Nashua	34	William Wellhousen Helena Schwede	New Hampshire	Nashua
Apr. 28, Wilton	Harry Joseph Roberts	Fitchburg, Mass.	63	Michael F. Roberts Catharine Ferguson	Iowa	
	Jeannette Fleurette Boivin			Herman E. Boivin Bibianne I. Morin	Minnesota	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Apr. 29, Wilton	George Arthur Heron	Fitchburg, Mass.	28	George Harry Madeline Thomas	Ireland	
	Lena Carancello	Worcester, Mass.	30	Nicola Izzo Maria DeMasi	New York	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
May 23, Wilton	Howard Gordon	Marlboro, Mass.	26	Frank E. Temple Annie Schandelmeyer	Canada	
	Eleanor Evelyn Bouffard	Marlboro, Mass.	43	Alfred Courtemanche Stella M. Carr	Albania	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
May 31, Wilton	Roland Alan Reynolds	Wilton	36	Thomas N. Reynolds Esther A. Harris	Italy	
	Lorraine Frances Bird	Wilton	21	Frederick T. Bird Edythe A. Tarbox	Massachusetts	Charles T. Rinkel, Jr. Clergyman
June 6, Wilton	Arnold William Tucker	Millford	21	William Tucker Susie A. Robinson	Massachusetts	Brookline
	Pauline Victoria Guertin	Wilton	29	Herve A. Guertin Irene M. Giguere	Maine	E. A. Murphy Clergyman
June 13, Wilton	Deloss Melvin Birkett	Galena, Ill.	19	George T. Birkett Neva A. McBride	Rhode Island	Wilton
	Lucille Ruth Paro	Wilton	21	Edmund J. Paro Flora Pellerin	Wisconsin	E. A. Murphy Clergyman
June 20, Wilton	William Coburn Cox Jr.	Cohasset, Mass.	23	William C. Cox Sr. Jessie Baneroff	New Hampshire	Wilton
	Martha Ann Whiting	Wilton	20	William P. Whiting Evelyn M. Sargent	Canada	Edward P. Daniels Clergyman
June 21, Wilton	Kenneth Ray Holt	Wilton	17	William J. Holt Evelyn A. Keyes	Massachusetts	Concord, Mass.
	Barbara Jean Clogston	Wilton	21	Harold Clogston Cora E. Allard	New Hampshire	Calder Moore Miller Clergyman
July 6, Wilton	Nelson Clayton Sabean	Hopkinton, Mass.	37	George D. Sabean Lucetta M. Bell	New Hampshire	So. Lyndeboro
	Edith Arlene Bullard	Hopkinton, Mass.	47	Harley M. Grover Kate E. Edmunds	Vermont	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton

Aug. 8, Wilton	Lawrence Homer Sweet Rosemarie Willette	Wilton Wilton	21 18	Homer B. Sweet Elva E. Montgomery Alfred T. Willette Clara M. Locke	Vermont Vermont Massachusetts Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Sept. 5, Wilton	Paul Edmund VanderHeyden Shirley Martha Broome	Wilton Wilton	20	A. L. VanderHeyden Donald A. Pellerin Ewart S. Broome	New Hampshire Canada England	E. A. Murphy Clergyman Wilton
Sept. 12, Peterboro	William Porritt Whiting Jr. Nancy Taylor	Wilton Lyndeboro	18 23 20	Aurore M. Martin Wm. P. Whiting Sr. Evelyn Sargent James E. Taylor Jean F. McGill	New Hampshire New Hampshire Illinois Illinois	James E. McKee Clergyman Peterborough
Sept. 12, Wilton	Robert Murray Evans Nancy Barbara Mason	Brookfield, Mass. Shrewsbury, Mass.	21 18	Albert E. Evans Alpha M. Guimond Malven F. Mason	Ohio Massachusetts Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Sept. 19, Milford	Robert Bruce Pollock Charlotte Hilma McCallum	Wilton Milford	25	Glady's J. Hamilton Kenneth Pollock Ethel Dickie	Massachusetts Canada Massachusetts	H. W. Holder Clergyman Milford
Oct. 3, Wilton	Lionel Joseph Savalier Alice Mary Florence Savalier	Gardner, Mass. Gardner, Mass.	21 26	Mildred Gott Henry Savalier ----- Landry Thaddee LeBlanc	Massachusetts Massachusetts Rhode Island Canada	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Oct. 4, Wilton	Eugene Allen Harding Mary Helen LaChance	Wilton Wilton	21 24	Herbert I. Harding Elizabeth A. Hurcomb Wilfred LaChance Mary M. Bassett Alfred T. Willette	New York New York Massachusetts New Hampshire New Hampshire	E. A. Murphy Clergyman Wilton
Oct. 31, Wilton	Alfred Joseph Willette Elizabeth Sweet	Wilton	25	Clara LaChance Homer B. Sweet Elva E. Montgomery Willie A. Burr	Massachusetts Vermont Vermont Massachusetts	E. A. Murphy Clergyman Wilton
Nov. 27, Wilton	Harold Chilson Burr Helen Theresa Erickson Burr Edgar Joseph LeBlanc	Northbridge, Mass. Northbridge, Mass. Leominster, Mass.	50 34 31	Alice A. Chilson Alfred Martin Frances McGill Peter J. LeBlanc Melvina L. Williams Alexde J. L'Ecuier Priscilla R. Gauthier Gilbert Deschenes Sr. Yvonne Michaud Joseph W. McQuade Louise E. Clark	Massachusetts Massachusetts Nova Scotia Nova Scotia Canada Canada Massachusetts Massachusetts New Hampshire Maine New Hampshire New Hampshire	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Dec. 5, Wilton	Lorraine Claire L'Ecuier Wilfred Raymond Deschenes	Leominster, Mass. Greenville Wilton	21 19 18			Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Dec. 12, Wilton	Betty Ann McQuade					E. A. Murphy Clergyman Wilton

Births Registered in the Town of Wilton, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1953

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 2, Nashua	William Alan	Elmer C. Boutwell	Florence G. McKee	New Hampshire	Pennsylvania
Jan. 3, Nashua	Susan Jane	Rosell E. Earle	Lydia M. Willette	Massachusetts	New Hampshire
Jan. 7, Peterboro	Steven Wilson	Hugh Auld	Virginia Tallarico	Maryland	Germany
Jan. 18, Nashua	Kristel Barbara	Roland P. Brochu	Francesca M. Barth	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Feb. 19, Peterboro	Heidi	Carl F. Richardson	Sylvia R. Weston	New York	Massachusetts
Mar. 30, Nashua	Dorothy Margaret	Vernon B. Edwards	Elizabeth M. King	New Hampshire	New Jersey
Apr. 1, Peterboro	Michael Richard	Richard D. Greeley	Marilyn Rudis	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Apr. 9, Nashua	Linda	Evan R. Day Jr.	Nancy Proctor	New Hampshire	Vermont
Apr. 17, Nashua	Donna Mae	George E. Mudgett	Marion L. Hill	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Apr. 22, Peterboro	Daniel Donovan	Robert J. Stanton	Gertrude E. Chukay	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Apr. 22, Peterboro	Rose Ann	Harry Starkweather	Marie R. Doucette	New Hampshire	Connecticut
May 15, Peterboro	Roy Paul	Harry Starkweather	Marie R. Doucette	New Hampshire	Connecticut
May 20, Nashua	Agnes Cecilia	Paul E. Chabot	Simone B. Miville	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
May 25, Nashua	Scott Douglas	Isaac K. Blanchard	Winifred R. Dupelle	New York	New Hampshire
June 3, Nashua	Marcia Louise	James E. Tuttle	Edna L. Glincs	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
June 23, Nashua	Hollis Warren	Lloyd E. Locklin	Adabelle Murdough	Vermont	New Hampshire
June 28, Nashua	Paul Joseph Jr.	Paul J. Kennedy	Mary C. McKernan	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
July 8, Nashua	Steven Donald	Donald L. Paro	Constance LaPonsie	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
July 17, Nashua	Constance Ruth	Sammuel H. Devine	Constance Anderson	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Aug. 1, Nashua	Gary Lawrence	Ronald C. Tuttle	Mary L. Paro	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Aug. 2, Peterboro	Betty Jean	Lauren W. Dearborn	Georgeanna R. Reed	Massachusetts	New Hampshire
Aug. 3, Nashua	To Ann	Arthur N. Demass	Ella Margaret Stearns	Vermont	New Hampshire
Sept. 6, Nashua	Brian Kent	Harold R. Jowders	Bertha L. Leach	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Sept. 17, Nashua	Margaret Mary	Norman K. Stinson	Elmor L. Burke	New Hampshire	Maine
Sept. 19, Peterboro	Susan Mae	Ivring H. Wentworth	Florence E. Clough	Maine	Maine
Sept. 22, Nashua	Steven Charles	C. O. McGettigan Jr.	Laura E. Karnis	New Hampshire	Maine
Sept. 25, Nashua	Nancy	Edwin Leavenworth	Evelyn M. Grondin	Connecticut	Massachusetts
Oct. 5, Nashua	Robin	Bruce Read	Charlotte M. Borhek	Illinois	Massachusetts
Oct. 8, Peterboro	Marilyn Louise	Kenneth P. Tuttle	Lorraine D. Milne	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Oct. 17, Nashua	Robert Wayne	Charles W. Rich	Barbara F. Trow	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Oct. 17, Nashua	Doreen	Bernard Gbbons Jr.	Marcia J. Anderson	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Oct. 29, Nashua	Richard Harold Jr.	Richard H. Keilig	Margaret M. Griffiths	New Hampshire	Australia
Nov. 2, Nashua	Darryl Jan	Benny Markaverich	Florence Locke	New Hampshire	Massachusetts
Nov. 19, Peterboro	Brenda Jean	Roger W. Tuttle	Iva A. MacCormack	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Nov. 26, Peterboro	Robert Arthur Jr.	Robert A. McQuade	Harriet P. Cochran	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Nov. 29, Nashua	Michael Alfred	Philip P. Felch	Rita A. Martin	New Hampshire	New Hampshire

Deaths Registered in the Town of Wilton, N. H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 1, Wilton	Harry Williams Wright	63	Josiah Wright	Sarah Jane Williams
Jan. 12, Worcester, Mass.	Cora B. (Hutchinson) Barnes	89	Charles Hutchinson	Hannah Eaton
Jan. 15, Wilton	Rose M. Duval	56	Ernest Brunelle	Mary Provencal
Jan. 23, Nashua	Clara M. Willette	60	Joseph Locke	Clara -----
Feb. 7, Wilton	Elizabeth A. Fox	74	Owen Fox	Margaret Cavanaugh
Feb. 12, Boston, Mass.	Ella P. VanAlstyne	86	George Peay	Ella Keats
Feb. 24, Winchendon, Mass.	George M. Wright	90	Frank Fairfield	Mary Casey
Mar. 3, Goffstown	John Fairfield	74	George E. Clark	Ethel May Barnaby
Mar. 3, Manchester	William Everett Clark	2 days	Wesley Hodgson	Louise -----
Mar. 16, Peterboro	Arthur Wesley Hodgson	76	Sow Whitney	Lilla Goldsmith
Mar. 16, Goffstown	James E. Whitney	79	Isaac Hutchinson	Emma L. Morse
Apr. 3, Manchester	Myron J. Hutchinson	72		
Apr. 15, Worcester, Mass.	Marian E. (Miller) Carey	36	Joseph Miller	Evelyn Farrell
Apr. 21, Peterboro	Margaret Hurley Smith	65	John H. Hurley	Mollie Shea
Apr. 25, Wilton	George A. Reardon	53	William J. Reardon	Catherine Tracy
Apr. 25, Wilton	Annie Elizabeth Mithell	62	Patrick Connors	Mary Kelly
May 14, Wilton	Wilbert F. Gilman	87	Farley B. Gilman	Emily L. Royce
June 9, Manchester	Earl Locklin Thomas	63	Hollis A. Locklin	Lydia E. Bell
June 23, Wilton	John Joseph Thomas	53	John Thomas	Selma Arsenault
June 30, Goffstown	Fay Ellen Bent	5		Leona Hartshorn
July 25, Manchester	Willie Sweeney	53	Andrew Sweeney	Virginia Manville
July 30, Wilton	Clarence Franklin Roberts	68	Benjamin F. Roberts	Sarah E. Russell
Aug. 2, Wilton	Arthur E. Johnson	68	Alfred Johnson	Elizabeth Hutchinson
Aug. 4, Concord	Mary Bonney	78	Henry -----	Helen Murray
Sept. 14, Wilton	John J. Carter	75	Thomas Carter	Jane Landers
Sept. 15, Wilton	George W. Richards	67	George W. Richards	Charlotte Whittier
Sept. 18, Catskill, N. Y.	Joseph E. Ring	36	Joseph E. Ring	Edwina Weston
Sept. 18, Catskill, N. Y.)	Agnes M. Ring	30	John Devaney	Winifred McArmistey

Sept. 18, Catskill, N. Y.	Ann M. Ring	Joseph E. Ring	Agnes Devaney
Oct. 15, Rochester	Perry Vickery	William H. Adams	Lillian Vickery
Oct. 17, Wilton	Nettie E. Tuttle	George May	Hattie B. Blanchard
Oct. 28, Everett, Mass.	Elisabeth M. Herlihy	John M. Herlihy	Catherine Hannan
Oct. 29, Springfield, Mass.	Theresa Landers	Clinton Berube	Harriet Paro
Nov. 4, Goffstown	Frank Berube	Andrew P. Tighe	Margaret Harrington
Nov. 5, Nashua	Lawrence A. Tighe	Jeremiah Shea	Martha Rollins
Nov. 14, Nashua	Michael Joseph Shea	James L. H. Low	Hellene Decelle
Nov. 21, Wilton	Alice Low Hersom	Andre Duburque	Cora Fiske
Nov. 26, Goffstown	Oscar Oja	Joseph Blanchard	Caroline E. Howe
Nov. 28, Nashua	Grace M. Doherty	Warren Center	
Dec. 2, Goffstown	Elmer Blanchard		
Dec. 4, Nashua	Helen Augusta Locke		
Dec. 6, Boston, Mass.	Anna Clark	Charles H. Burns	Sarah Mills
Dec. 9, Peterboro	Sarah Elizabeth Gregg	Henry Martin	Margaret Harrington
Dec. 24, Milford	William James Bonner		Lizzie Hadley
Dec. 30, Lyndeboro	Minnie L. Kent		

SEXTON'S REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Cemetery
Jan. 12, Worcester, Mass.	Cora B. Barnes	89	Laurel Hill
Jan. 15, Wilton	Rose M. Duval	56	Mt. Calvary
Jan. 23, Nashua	Clara M. Willette	60	Mt. Calvary
Feb. 12, Boston, Mass.	Ella P. VanAlstyne	86	Laurel Hill
Feb. 24, Winchendon, Mass.	George M. Wright	90	South
Mar. 3, Goffstown	John Fairfield	74	Mt. Calvary
Mar. 6, Manchester	William Everett Clark	2 days	Laurel Hill
Mar. 16, Goffstown	James E. Whitney	79	South
Mar. 16, Peterboro	Arthur Wesley Hodgen	76	Mt. Calvary
Apr. 3, Manchester	Myron J. Hutchinson	72	Laurel Hill
Apr. 15, Fitchburg, Mass.	Marion E. (Miller) Carey	37	Laurel Hill
Apr. 21, Peterboro	Margaret Hurley Smith	65	Mt. Calvary
Apr. 25, Wilton	Annie Elizabeth Mitchell	62	Laurel Hill
1919, Westford, Mass.	Thomas Beaver	3	Laurel Hill
June 9, Manchester	Earl Locklin	63	Laurel Hill
June 25, Wilton	John Joseph Thomas	53	Mt. Calvary
June 30, Goffstown	Fav Ellen Bent	2	Laurel Hill
July 25, Manchester	Willie Sweeney	53	Mt. Calvary
Aug. 2, Wilton	Arthur E. Johnson	68	South
Sept. 14, Wilton	John J. Carter	75	Mt. Calvary
Sept. 18, Catskill, N. Y.	Joseph E. Ring	36	Mt. Calvary
Sept. 18, Catskill, N. Y.	Agnes M. Ring	30	Mt. Calvary
Sept. 18, Catskill, N. Y.	Ann M. Ring	3	Mt. Calvary
Oct. 15, Rochester	Perry Vickery Adams	50	Laurel Hill
Oct. 17, Wilton	Nettie E. Tuttle	85	Laurel Hill
Oct. 28, Everett, Mass.	Elisabeth M. Herlihy	73	Mt. Calvary
Oct. 29, Springfield, Mass.	Theresa Landers	92	Mt. Calvary
Nov. 4, Goffstown	Frank Berube	80	Mt. Calvary
Nov. 5, Nashua	Lawrence A. Tighe	52	Mt. Calvary
Nov. 14, Nashua	Michael Joseph Shea	86	Mt. Calvary
Nov. 26, Goffstown	Oscar Oja	74	Laurel Hill
Dec. 6, Boston, Mass.	Anna Clark	83	Laurel Hill
Dec. 9, Peterboro	Sarah Elizabeth Gregg	94	Laurel Hill
Dec. 24, Milford	William James Bonner	74	Laurel Hill
Dec. 30, Lyndeboro	Minnie L. Kent	82	Vale End

Respectfully submitted,
FRED C. NELSON, Sexton.

WILTON
School District Reports
For Year Ending
June 30, 1953

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator: Raymond Batchelder	March 1954
Clerk: Mary Kennedy	March 1954
Treasurer: Julia M. Kecy	June 1954
Auditors: J. E. Draper, Samuel Proctor	March 1954

School Board Members

Raymond LaPonsie, Chairman	March 1954
David Wright	March 1955
Mildred T. Peters, Secretary	March 1956

Superintendent

Mr. Newell J. Paire

Truant Officer and Custodians

Evan R. Day, Sr., Truant Officer and Chief Custodian
Frederick Bird, Assistant Custodian

School Nurse

Edna J. Gilbert, R. N.

Teaching Staff for Year 1953-54

Mr. Kenneth Sargent	Principal
	Biology and Guidance
Mr. G. Lorne MacArthur	History, Math and Guidance
Mr. John Hastings	Science and Math
Mr. Ralph Ghetti	English and Languages
Mr. Daniel Marcelonis	Trades and Industries
Miss Ruth Lange	Commercial and Girls' Coach
Mrs. Dorothy Tatarunis	Home Economics
Miss Jean Baker	English 9, Math, Jr. Business
Miss Mary R. Hurley	Social Studies 7 and 8
Mrs. Helene Greene	English 7 and 8, Math 7
Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards	Music Supervisor
Miss Florence Rideout, Principal	Grade 5
Mr. James J. Doyle, Jr.	Grade 6 and Coach

Mrs. Frances Pellerin	Grade 4
Mrs. Bertha Wells	Grade 3
Miss Mabel Shea	Grade 2
Mrs. Rowena Bryan	Grade 1
Mrs. Lillian Cullinan	Grade 1

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1953-54:

January 4, 1954 to February 19	7 weeks
March 1, to April 23	7 weeks
May 3, to June 18	7 weeks
Holiday: Memorial Day, May 31st	

1954-55:

School opens Sept. 8, 1954 — Closes Nov. 24 at 12:15
(one session)

School opens Nov. 29 — Closes Dec. 17

School opens Jan. 3, 1955 — Closes Feb. 18

School opens Feb. 28 — Closes April 22

School opens May 2 — Closes June 17

Holidays: Armistice Day, Nov. 11, Closes 12:15
(one session) Memorial Day, May 30

Teachers' Convention, October 14 and 15

Total number of School Days 180

Total number of School Weeks 37

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Wilton, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the ninth day of March 1954, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to raise a sum of money not to exceed \$64,000 by the issuance of Serial Notes or Bonds, in the name of and on the credit of the District, in accordance with Chapter 72, N. H. Revised Laws, subject to any state or federal grants available in the future and applicable to this article, for the purpose of erecting the proposed addition to the present school plant. Said Serial Notes or Bonds to be obtained on such rates or terms as may be deemed advisable by the School Board and paid off over a period of 20 years, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,920.00 for the purpose of paying off the interest on the aforesaid notes the first year or take any action relating thereto.

11. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$470.00 for the purpose of insuring the proposed addition to the school plant or take any action relating thereto.

12. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$1,800.00 for the purpose of operating and maintaining the proposed addition to the present school plant or take any action relating thereto.

13. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purpose of equipping the proposed addition to the present school plant or take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands at said Wilton this 23rd day of February 1954.

RAYMOND A. LaPONSIE,
MILDRED T. PETERS,
DAVID WRIGHT,
School Board.

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE For the Year 1954-55

School Board's Statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1954 and comparative analysis of expenditures.

	Expended 1952-53	Budgeted 1953-54	Estimated Budget 1954-55
A. Administration:			
1. Salaries of district officers	\$ 520.00	\$ 555.00	\$ 555.00
2. Supt.'s salary (local share)	51,513.25	1,693.48	1,719.48
3. Tax for state wide supervision	730.00	730.00	730.00
4. Salaries of other administrative personnel	925.82	1,035.20	1,087.40
5. Supplies and expenses	1,263.68	1,365.35	1,406.99
B. Instruction:			
6. Teachers' salaries	51,150.53	53,075.00	58,850.00
7. Textbooks and other instructional aids	1,683.99	1,142.00	1,597.00
8. Scholars' supplies	2,836.03	2,767.00	3,038.80
9. Salaries of clerical assistants	76.30	95.00	95.00
10. Other instructional expenses	189.97	313.00	352.00
C. Operation of School Plant:			
11. Janitors' salaries	4,451.30	4,850.00	5,100.00
12. Fuel	3,698.69	3,930.00	3,730.00
13. Water, light & other exp.	2,422.78	2,300.00	2,387.76
D. Maintenance of School Plant:			
14. Repairs and replacements	2,194.32	1,245.00	1,147.50
E. Auxiliary Activities:			
15. Health supervision	1,213.58	1,360.00	1,410.00
16. Transportation	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
17. Tuition — elementary	213.51	300.00	300.00
18. Special fund activities	1,137.90	955.00	980.00
18a. School lunch	1,235.86	200.00	200.00
F. Fixed Charges:			
19. Teacher retirement	3,053.06	3,018.51	4,071.54
20. Insurance, bonds & expenses	2,802.66	1,462.12	1,495.60
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Total Current Expenses	\$89,613.23	\$88,691.66	\$96,554.07
G. Capital Outlay:			
21. Tarring parking area			150.00
22. Additions and improvements	1,117.90	1,200.00	2,320.00
23. Equipment	2,063.05	3,610.00	1,418.00

	Expended 1952-53	Budgeted 1953-54	Estimated Budget 1954-55
H. Debt and Interest:			
25. Payment on principal	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
26. Payment of interest	270.00	210.00	170.00
Total Amount Required to Cover	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
School Board's Budget	\$96,064.18	\$96,711.66	103,612.07

I. Income of District:

	Actual	Estimated	Estimated
Balance on hand June 30, 1952	\$ 612.78	00.00	00.00
State aid	2,387.45	3,466.85	00.00
Trust funds	1,000.00	600.00	600.00
Tuition: High school	4,050.45)		
Elementary	2,954.70)	7,000.00	8,000.00
Other Sources:			
School lunch	1,235.86	200.00	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,011.88		
Local taxation	84,813.53		
Balance previous appropriation	1,466.85		
Total Receipts: Actual	<hr/> \$99,533.58		
Estimated		\$11,266.85	\$ 8,800.00
Balance on hand July 1, 1953	3,469.40		
Total Assessment Required to		<hr/>	<hr/>
Cover School Board's Budget		\$85,444.81	\$94,812.07

J. Special Appropriations:

Fire escape		1,071.60
Total assessment required to cover		
School Board's Budget and	<hr/>	<hr/>
Special Appropriations	\$84,813.53	\$86,516.41

*Supervisory Union share of Supt's. salary \$3925; state's share \$2275.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS

Fiscal Year July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

ADMINISTRATION

1. School District Officers:

Raymond LaPonsie, Chairman	\$100 00	
Mildred T. Peters, Secretary	260 00	
David Wright	100 00	
James E. Draper	5 00	
Samuel G. Proctor	5 00	
Julia M. Kecy, Treasurer	50 00	
	-----	\$520 00

2. Superintendent's Salary, local share:

Supervisory Union No. 63	\$1,513 25
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3. Tax for State Wide Supervision:

N. H. State Treasurer	\$730 00
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4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel:

Supervisory Union No. 63	\$827 82	
Leo Duval	18 00	
Mildred Peters	50 00	
Evan R. Day, Sr.	25 00	
Tracy & Hildreth	5 00	
	-----	\$925 82

5. Supplies and Expenses:

Newell J. Paire	\$ 8 00	
Wilton Telephone Co.	227 45	
Supervisory Union No. 63	950 58	
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.	32 50	
Maude Adams	1 00	
Lowell Caswell	3 21	
Frances Pellerin	2 20	
Joseph E. Hurley, Postmaster	30 16	
Raymond Bissonette	6 00	
Railway Express	2 58	
	-----	\$1,263 68

INSTRUCTION

6. Teachers' Salaries:

Teachers' salaries	\$40,725 09	
Wilton Natl. Bank (withholdings)	5,649 20	
Director of Internal Revenue,		
withholdings	590 00	
Washington National Ins. Co.	166 50	
N.H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service	679 35	
N. H. State Teachers' Retirement		
System	3,340 39	
	-----	\$51,150 53

7. Books and Other Instructional Aids:

O. H. Toothaker	\$ 55 90
Ribbon & Carbon Products Co., Inc.	29 50
Bostitch Northeast Inc.	22 96
W. M. Welch Manufacturing Co.	27 00
Allyn & Bacon, Inc.	67 72
Scott, Foresman & Co.	62 38
The L. W. Singer Co., Inc.	32 47
Albert B. Patch & Co.	115 80
Follett Publishing Co.	68 75
The Art Center	86 25
F. E. Compton & Co.	111 84
Southwestern Publishing Co.	72 02
Houghton Mifflin Co.	42 66
C. S. Hammond & Co.	18 95
The Sugar Ball Press	23 87
University of New Hampshire	54 70
American Book Co.	15 45
Carl Fischer, Inc.	30 44
Row-Peterson Co.	106 30
Lyons Band Instrument Co.	52 13
The Steck Co. Pub.	15 94
The H. W. Wilson Co.	5 00
Pan-American Band Instruments	8 00
The Grolier Society Inc.	67 70
McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc.	22 98

National Forum Inc.	159 60	
World Book Co.	20 40	
The Macmillan Co.	13 78	
D. C. Heath & Co.	15 32	
C. C. Birchard & Co.	16 06	
The National Education Assoc.	3 53	
Greenfield School District	80	
Francestown School District	6 00	
The Willis Music Co.	10 37	
Noble and Noble Publishers Inc.	30 46	
J. B. Lippincott Co.	35 56	
Bureau of Publications	15 70	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	3 72	
William L. Nutting, Inc.	49 85	
Rice Film Co.	4 53	
Mildred's Gift Shop	10 10	
Popular Mechanics	2 40	
Railway Express Agency	15 14	
Charles Scribner's Sons	1 12	
The Book Shop	1 95	
Ginn & Co.	13 90	
A. H. Rice Co., Inc.	2 97	
Bernice B. Perry	4 50	
Lyons & Carnahan	3 17	
The College Blue Book	8 00	
Benj. H. Sanborn	8 09	
Mason School District	10 26	
	-----	\$1,683 99

8. Scholars' Supplies:

Allyn and Bacon, Inc.	\$ 89 13
Railway Express Agency	3 84
The L. W. Singer Co., Inc.	37 91
Ribbon & Carbon Products Co., Inc.	13 50
Cambosco Scientific Co.	112 05
Webster Publishing Co.	5 28
The Gregg Publishing Co.	7 93
Milton Bradley Co.	402 08

Houghton Mifflin Co.	114	93
Wilton Lumber Co.	8	96
W. M. Welch Manufacturing Co.	108	74
Maude Adams		40
D. C. Heath & Co.	51	12
Scott, Foresman & Co.	268	63
Prentice-Hall Inc.	17	52
Charles E. Merrill Co.	14	34
Exclusive Playing Card Co.	5	58
Rand, McNally & Co.	15	98
Follett Publishing Co.	9	75
J. L. Hammett Co.	518	48
Laidlaw Brothers	39	14
Cleary's Drug Stores, Inc.	2	04
Supervisory Union No. 63	123	13
Silver Burdett Co.	27	04
F. A. Owen Publishing Co.	4	00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	3	30
Southwestern Pub. Co.	37	84
Souhegan Mills, Inc.	5	76
People's Laundry	5	00
Science Research Associates	58	55
Graphic School Supply Co.	13	26
University of New Hampshire		90
National Forum, Inc.	41	81
School Activities	3	50
National Association of Secondary School Principals	5	00
Scholastic Magazines	71	80
Today's Secretary & Business Education World	8	00
National Geographic Society	5	25
U. S. News and World Report	15	00
News, Map of the Week Inc.	15	00
Consumer's Research Inc.	2	00
National Stationers	19	80
Boston & Maine Railroad	3	36
Gen. Biological Supply House, Inc.	31	13

Scientific American	5 00	
Henry S. Wolkins Co.	98 36	
Charles Scribner's Sons	53 82	
Wilton News Agency	27 00	
Science Service	5 50	
Mildred's Gift Shop	2 00	
World Book Co.	31 26	
New Hampshire Profiles	3 50	
Lyons & Carnahan	49 45	
William E. Jones	30 00	
The Cabinet Press	2 25	
California Test Bureau	9 20	
Joslin Hardware Co.	9 70	
Community Sales Co.	5 00	
H. S. Kinsman Co., Inc.	38 88	
Supt. of Documents-Gov't.		
Printing Office	1 25	
American Education Press	110 10	
The Wall Street Journal	6 00	
	-----	\$2,836 03

9. Salaries of Clerical Assts. & Supplies:

Master Products Co.	\$48 00	
Lena Destroismaisons	13 50	
The Cabinet Press	12 50	
Boston & Maine Railroad	2 30	
	-----	\$76 30

10. Supplies and Other Expenses:

Milton Bradley Co.	\$ 9 80	
Row, Peterson & Co.	4 72	
F. E. Compton & Co.	116 84	
J. L. Hammett Co.	41 71	
Supervisory Union No. 63	6 14	
The College Blue Book	8 00	
Joslin Hardware Co.	2 76	
	-----	\$189 97

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

11. Salaries of Janitors:

Salaries of janitors	\$3810 80	
Wilton National Bank	316 41	
Director of Internal Revenue	58 19	
Mrs. Harry Blanchard	148 50	
Charles B. O'Hara	89 00	
N.H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service	14 40	
	-----	\$4,451 30

12. Fuel or Heat:

Kenneth Gelpley	\$ 400 00	
Draper Fuel Co.	3083 89	
Wilton Plumbing and Heating Corp.	214 80	
	-----	\$3698 69

13. Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses:

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$ 7 70	
West Disinfecting Co.	75 63	
Central Paper Products Co.	156 96	
The Pioneer Manufacturing Co.	50 44	
W. W. Adrian	58 68	
The Garland Co.	6 66	
The C. B. Dolge Co.	298 73	
Joslin Hardware Co.	149 41	
Public Service Co. of N. H.	1439 70	
M. D. Stetson	57 90	
J. F. Kerns Co.	13 03	
The Fuller Brush Co.	1 16	
Southwestern N. H. Trans. Co.	7 30	
Britex Corporation	32 96	
Derby & Little, Inc.	2 67	
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	6 85	
Duro-Test Corporation	52 50	
Wilton Plumbing & Heating Co.	4 50	
	-----	\$2,422 78

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

14. Repairs and Replacements:

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$ 9 65
American Playground Device Co.	40 35
LeRoy C. Robbins	63 12
The Garland Co.	122 84
Standard Electric Time Co.	25 00
Rachel Day	3 50
Wilton Auto Station	1 75
A. E. LaPonsie	614 00
Evan R. Day, Sr.	9 60
Wilton Lumber Co.	32 25
Joslin Hardware Co.	38 82
Pioneer Manufacturing Co.	87 98
Temple School District	9 30
Cambosco Scientific Co.	16 75
C. R. Swaney Co.	67 11
Fay & Ambruson Co., Inc.	42 90
H. W. Beecher	10 55
The Fix-It Shop	26 75
A. C. Atwood	78 47
Wilton Plumbing & Heating Corp.	382 34
Int'l. Business Machine Corp.	30 87
A. H. Rice Co., Inc.	2 75
Alex Heath, Jr.	71 63
The Louis M. Herman Co.	6 00
Fred French	5 00
Carl K. Stimson	196 00
Greenville School District	6 70
George Mailman	15 50
Railway Express Agency	1 93
Southwestern N. H. Transp. Co., Inc.	80
Ken's Texaco Service	3 30
Beckley-Cardy Co.	7 52
Joseph LaCasse	5 00
Boston & Maine Railroad	6 45
Preferred Utilities	30 34

William L. Nutting, Inc.	21 50	
	-----	\$2,194 32

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

15. Health Supervision:

School Nurse	\$874 99	
School Doctor	100 00	
Wilton National Bank	97 30	
N.H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service	24 30	
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	92 50	
Director of Internal Revenue	10 80	
Cleary's Drug Store	13 69	
	-----	\$1,213 58

16. Transportation:

Wilton Auto Station	\$6,300 00
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17. Tuition:

N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare	\$173 38	
Lyndeborough School District	40 13	
	-----	\$213 51

18. Special Activities and Special Funds:

Southwestern N. H. Transp. Co., Inc.	\$ 1 80
Joslin Hardware Co.	182 30
Lynch's Sports Equipment Co.	26 12
Wilton Lumber Co.	422 94
Railway Express Agency	1 64
Souhegan Mills, Inc.	6 40
Maude Adams	28 33
Cardigan Sport Store	146 60
James W. Brine	60 98
Wilton School Lunch	1235 86
W. E. Aubuchon Co., Inc.	9 60
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	2 88
Kenneth Sargent	40 00
Ruth Lange	40 00
First National Stores, Inc.	41 39
Duncan L. Tocher	65 70

White's Market	72	
Unitarian Church Sewing Circle	50 00	
Jack George, Director of Physical Ed.	4 50	
Bernice Perry	6 00	
	-----	\$2,373 76

FIXED CHARGES

19. Retirement:

N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	\$3,053 06
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20. Insurance, Treas. Bond and Expenses:

H. D. Cheever	\$2,802 66
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CAPITAL OUTLAY

22. Additions and Improvements to Bldgs.:

W. W. Adrian	\$430 00	
H. B. Roofing Co.	275 00	
Harlan H. Savage	140 50	
Town of Wilton, N. H.	272 40	
	-----	\$1,117 80

23. New Equipment:

Royal Typewriter Co., Inc.	\$240 00	
Congleton Typewriter Exchange	37 50	
Cascade Paper Co.	608 75	
Lynch's Sports Equipment Co .	450 00	
Science Kit	325 95	
H. P. Welch Co.	1 80	
George Mailman	9 00	
N. H. Fire Safety Equipment Co.	48 00	
Southwestern N. H. Trans. Co. Inc.	45 93	
Arthur F. Allan	69 50	
Wilton Plumbing & Heating Corp.	86 17	
Manchester Technical Institute	85 00	
Boston & Maine Railroad	55 45	
	-----	\$2,063 05

DEBT AND INTEREST

25. Payment of Principal on Debt	\$3,000 00
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26. Payment of Interest on Debt	\$270 00
Total Payments for All Purposes	\$96,064 18
Cash on hand at end of year June 30, 1953	3,469 40
	<hr/> \$99,533 58

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1952 and
Ending June 30, 1953

Administration:

1. Salaries of district officers	\$ 520 00
2. Superintendent's salary (local share)	1,513 25
3. Tax for state wide supervision	730 00
4. Salaries of other administrative personnel	1,466 97
5. Supplies and expenses	722 53

Instruction:

6. Teachers' salaries	51,150 53
7. Books and other instructional aids	1,683 99
8. Scholars' supplies	2,836 03
9. Salaries of clerical assistants	76 30
10. Supplies and other expenses	189 97

Operation of School Plant:

11. Salaries of janitors	4,451 30
12. Fuel or heat	3,698 69
13. Water, light, supplies and expenses	2,422 78

Maintenance of School Plant:

14. Repairs and replacements	2,194 32
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Auxiliary Activities:

15. Health supervision	1,213 58
16. Transportation	6,300 00
17. Tuition	213 51
18. Special activities and special funds	1,137 90
18a. School lunch	1,235 86

Fixed Charges:

19. Retirement	3,053 06
20. Insurance, Treas. Bonds and Expenses	2,802 66

Capital Outlay:

22. Additions and improvements	1,117 90
23. New equipment	2,063 05

Debt and Interest:

25. Principal of debt	3,000 00
26. Interest on debt	270 00

Total Payments for All Purposes	\$96,064 18
Cash on hand at end of year June 30, 1953	3,469 40
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	\$99,533 58

RECEIPTS**Federal Aid:**

National School Lunch	\$ 1,235 86
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State Aid:

Foundation Aid	2,387 45
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Local Taxation:

Current appropriation	84,813 53
Balance of previous appropriations	1,466 85

Other Sources:

Elementary School Tuitions	2,954 70
Secondary School Tuitions	4,050 45
Trust Funds	1,000 08
Other	1,011 88

Total Net Receipts from All Sources	\$98,920 80
Cash on hand at beginning of year July 1, '52	612 78
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Grand Total Net Receipts	\$99,533 58

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash on hand June 30, 1953	\$3,469 40
Net Debt (excess of liabilities over assets)	8,530 60
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	\$12,000 00

LIABILITIES

Notes and Bonds Outstanding	\$12,000 00
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Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND LaPONSIE,

DAVID WRIGHT,

MILDRED T. PETERS,

School Board.

SCHOOL LUNCH REPORT

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1952 \$ 15 64

Receipts:

Lunch Sales — Children	\$5137 59	
Lunch Sales — Adults	621 60	
	<hr/>	5759 19
National School Lunch		1235 86
All other Sources		321 92

Grand Total		<hr/> \$7332 61
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Expenditures:

Food	\$3856 62	
Labor	2181 00	
Equipment	478 68	
All other	365 98	
Total Expenditures	<hr/>	\$6882 28
Cash balance on hand June 30, 1953		450 33

Grand Total		<hr/> \$7332 61
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REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1952	\$ 612 78
Received from Selectmen:	
Current appropriation	\$84,813 53
Balance previous appropriations	1,466 85
Received from State Treasurer:	
State Funds	2,387 45
Federal Funds	1,235 86
Received from tuitions	7,005 15
Received income from trust funds	1,000 08
Received from all other sources	1,011 88
Total Receipts	98,920 80

Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$99,533 58
Less School Board Orders Paid	96,064 18

Balance on hand June 30, 1953	\$ 3,469 40

JULIA M. KEY,
District Treasurer.

July 18, 1953.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Wilton, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 and find them correct in all respects.

J. ELMER DRAPER,
Auditor.

July 23, 1953.

SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

2% Serial Notes July 1, 1952-53 — \$5000

Due July 1, 1954, principal and interest \$1010 00

2% Serial Notes of August 21, 1952-57:

New Building, Original Amount \$13,000

Due Aug. 21, 1954, principal and interest \$2090 00

Due Feb. 21, 1955, interest 70 00

Due Aug. 21, 1955, principal and interest 2070 00

Due Feb. 21, 1956, interest 50 00

Due Aug. 21, 1956, principal and interest 2050 00

Due Feb. 21, 1957, interest 30 00

Due Aug. 21, 1957, principal and interest 3030 00

\$9390 00

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Wilton:

I respectfully submit my seventh annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

Staff Changes and Instruction

The opening of school this past fall saw several changes in the high school staff. Mr. John Hastings, graduate of St. Anselm's College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and graduate work in Education at Boston University, was employed to teach Math and Science, replacing Mr. Raymond Bissonette, who resigned to continue his studies at the University of New Hampshire. Mr. Hastings, formerly taught at Traip Academy, Kittery, Maine, and comes to us with a rich background in the areas he is teaching; Mr. G. Lorne MacArthur, recent graduate of Boston University with the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Master of Education, replaced Mr. Joseph Gallagher, who resigned to enter the employ of the Prudential Insurance Co. Mr. MacArthur recently returned from two years duty in Germany with the Army Intelligence. Mr. MacArthur teaches Social Studies and Guidance. His experiences have given him a broad background on which to draw; Mr. Daniel Marcelonis, graduate of Boston Teachers' College with the degree of B. S. in Education, was employed to replace Mr. George Mailman, who resigned to take a position in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Marcelonis comes to us with a practical, as well as a theoretical knowledge of the Trades and Industries program. His experience as camp councillor at boys' camps gives him an exceptional understanding of boys and their problems.

I wish to commend Mr. Kenneth Sargent, Principal of the High School, and Miss Florence Rideout, Principal of the Elementary School, and their staffs, for the splendid work they are doing. High standards of scho-

larship are being maintained with the proper integration of social activities with academic work.

Last year a complete report was made on the Music Program in the Wilton Schools by Miss Ethelyn Edwards, Music Supervisor. She is continuing her fine work, with the excellent cooperation of the Staff. A brief report on the music activities is printed in another part of the School Report.

This year the School Report is emphasizing the work of the High School. Mr. Sargent's report carries a comprehensive explanation of the philosophy and principles of education governing the teaching techniques employed by the Junior and Senior High School Staff.

Health Supervision

Mrs. Edna Gilbert, School Nurse, and Dr. Edward Sheris, School Doctor, supervise and conduct the health services of the Wilton Public School. Their efforts have produced excellent results and parents are kept informed of health conditions that need attention. Dr. Earl Roy, D.D. has rendered many services to our children and has been largely responsible for the oral health of our pupils. I wish to thank the Wilton Parent-Teachers Association for their interest in our dental hygiene program and the financial help they have given to us to carry on this work. The School Nurse Report discusses the details of her work.

School Lunch Program

The Wilton School Lunch Program continues to operate efficiently under the capable direction and supervision of Mrs. Marjorie Robbins, Manager, and her assistants, Mrs. Esther Kennedy and Mrs. Veronica Robbins. It will be noted that the School Lunch Program closed the school year of 1952-53, with a cash balance of \$450.33. Part of this amount was used to purchase a deep freeze unit for the program. This piece of equipment makes it possible to take advantage

of prices on certain types of foods and to store them safely for longer periods of time.

School Enrollments

Last year considerable space in my report was devoted to informing you that there soon would be a need for the expansion of the school plant to accommodate the increased number of pupils that will be coming into our schools. We have studied this problem very carefully and have presented our findings to a large group of interested parents and friends at a P. T. A. meeting this past fall. Plans have been drawn by Tracy and Hildreth, Architects, showing the space that is being recommended by the School Board.

The conclusions reached last year relative to building needs are essentially the same now.

(1) Our school population will reach a total of approximately 519 by 1958-59, a total of 102 more pupils than started this fall. It will be noted that when we projected the enrollments in 1949 for the fall of 1953, it was stated that schools would open with an enrollment of 411. This may be compared with the actual enrollment of 417.

(2) At least two rooms should be added to our present plant by the fall of 1954-55. We have two first grades at the present time and it appears that with an incoming enrollment of 45 first graders next year, plus possible retentions, it will be necessary to have two first grades. Thus all classroom space in the present addition will be utilized for grades 1 and 2. The third grade will be moved to the old building and part of the 7th grade will be moved upstairs creating a crowded condition in the space now used by the 8th grade and high school classes.

(3) A third room will be needed by 1955-56. Again it appears that we will have 44 or more first graders entering school in the fall of 1955. The third grade will again be housed in the old building, only this time it

appears that it will take up two rooms instead of one. Thus, more crowding will occur in the classrooms utilized by junior and senior high school classes, and home room stations will have to be set up in the Home Economics Department and Shop Department.

(4) A fourth room should be added by 1956-57. While it appears that at this writing we will have a first grade population of 33, we will still be crowding the large grades into the old building. In 1957, we will again have approximately 41 first graders, and in 1958, 40 first graders.

(5) There is another factor that will contribute to larger classes in the high school and that is one that has been caused by recent legislation passed by the New Hampshire Legislature at its last session. Every child in those towns maintaining high schools must attend school until he is sixteen years of age, unless he has been excused from attending on the ground that his physical or mental condition is such that it would be inadvisable or undesirable that he do so. Consequently, children will be staying in school longer than they have been required to do in the past.

On the basis of the above conclusions, a plan to alleviate the conditions mentioned above is being presented to the voters by the School Board at the March meeting to see what action they desire to take.

Lands and Buildings

Several major improvements to our present plant this past year have been accomplished. They are:

- (a) Installation of a fire escape.
- (b) Graveling and tarring over play area adjacent to parking area.
- (c) Installation of snow rail on left front side of old building.
- (d) Installation of fluorescent lights in room presently used as 4th grade room.
- (e) Room A painted and emergency door cut between Room A and B.

(f) Purchase and installation of a set of bleachers for Auditorium.

(g) Setting up kitchen units in Home Economics Department so as to more efficiently provide for large classes.

(h) Installation of sump pump in basement of Auditorium to eliminate water that flows in during the fall and spring.

All the above improvements are largely permanent in nature.

Those improvements contemplated for next year and for which a sum of money has been provided in the budget are as follows:

(a) Re-tar parking area.

(b) Complete lighting program started several years ago by installing fluorescent lights in the sixth grade classroom and Room D.

(c) Carry on painting program by painting Room D, Room B, the Home Economics Department and the boys' and girls' shower rooms. The three classrooms mentioned above have not been painted in seven years and the shower rooms have not been touched since the building was constructed twenty-four years ago.

(d) Paint ceiling of gym.

Finance

The School Board's Budget for the school year 1954-55 calls for a net increase of \$5,828.71 over that of last year. These increases are reflected in the areas of Teacher Salaries, Instructional Materials, Teacher Retirement, Additions and Improvements, and Custodial Services. These services amount to an increase of \$8,924.83. Major decreases in the areas of Equipment and Specific Improvements to the buildings and minor increases in other areas of the budget result in the net increase reported above.

Conclusion

I wish to again express my gratitude to the Wilton

School Board for their excellent support and assistance in promoting a sound and efficient educational program. The teachers, parents and friends of the school have been most helpful and cooperative in working with the administration in solving problems of mutual concern.

NEWELL J. PAIRE,
Superintendent of Schools.

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1953

School	Boys	Girls	Total	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Total Tardinesses	Tardinesses Per Pupil
High School	54	57	111	106.0	99.7	94.2	260	2.34
Grade 8	26	23	49	45.55	43.17	94.75	17	.34
Grade 7	23	18	41	39.50	37.54	95.04	31	.75
Grade 6	17	13	30	28.27	26.91	95.17	18	.60
Grade 5	17	15	32	30.40	28.95	95.23	24	.75
Grade 4	16	14	30	26.76	25.36	94.77	51	1.70
Grade 3	18	16	34	31.97	30.21	94.48	9	.26
Grade 2	11	19	30	27.58	25.90	93.89	15	.5
Grade 1	26	20	46	41.24	36.32	88.07	17	.37
Visits by School Board						9		
Visits by Superintendent						349		
Visits by Citizens						2725		

GRADUATING CLASS OF 1953

Richard Allen Benotti	Robert James Hutchinson
Shirley Martha Broome	Betty Ann McQuade
Frank Burbee, Jr.	Nano Linnea Monson
Doris Evelyn Dow	Priscilla Jane Peters
William Albert Fisk	Barbara Joan Phillips
Paul Joseph Gibbons	Jean Carol Russell
Joyce Ann Greeley	Judith Ann Sheldon
Elizabeth Clara Hadley	Cynthia Ann Soucy
Herbert Thomas Hodge	Andre Francis
Constance Mary	Vander-Heyden
Hutchinson	Frandon Elaine West
Edgar Aaron Whitney	

STATISTICS FOR FIRST TWENTY WEEKS 1953-54

Census: (Ages 1 day - 18 yrs. incl.) Boys 312; Girls 306; Total 618

Attending Wilton Public School	416
Attending Public Schools Outside the District	2
Attending Parochial Schools Outside the District	5
Attending Private Schools Within the District	3
Attending Private Schools Outside the District	14

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

School	Total	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
High School	124	118.6	113.2	95.60
Grade 8	37	35.0	33.4	95.40
Grade 7	39	36.2	35.0	98.10
Grade 6	33	34.33	32.65	95.11
Grade 5	25	25.64	24.34	94.92
Grade 4	32	30.38	28.07	92.40
Grade 3	29	31.19	28.88	92.63
Grade 2	39	40.50	37.07	91.51
Grade 1	29	28.85	26.09	90.45
Grade 1	30	30.00	28.12	93.92

WILTON HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is with pleasure that I submit my seventh annual report as Principal of our High School. During this past year, I believe that great strides have been made toward providing the children of Wilton with the best education possible. This has been done through sounder, more effective methods of teaching, better meeting of the curriculum needs of the children, and through a general agreement as to a philosophy of education by all teachers. This latter area has required agreement of all teachers as to just what we hope to accomplish through education of children in Wilton. Generally speaking, this philosophy has been one of **education for the complete life adjustment of the child**, both now and in the future.

In the light of this philosophy, teachers have had a new light thrown on their methods of teaching, and have, I believe, improved their techniques of "getting material across to the child." Our curriculum has been improved greatly through the usage of correspondence courses. This makes it possible for our children to gain credit toward graduation in courses not offered by our staff, but approved by the State Department of Education. This method has greatly expanded our small school curriculum, and has helped to maintain the interest of many pupils. In this first year of the program, twelve pupils have participated in seven different subject areas. In the future, we plan to expand this program, if the need for such courses continues.

This report will cover not so much what we are teaching, since this has been covered in other printed pamphlets. Rather, it will try to explain briefly why we are teaching by the methods presently in effect and what the reasoning is behind these methods.

Home Economics: In this area of practical work with hands and mind, the primary idea is to have the children become interested in what they are sewing or

cooking. In the lower grades the emphasis is on having the girls make simple clothing for themselves, rather than make household articles. In Family, the girls are working on fancier dresses for Easter and the class trip. In both of these cases, the goals motivate the girls to make every effort to do the best work possible.

In Foods classes, the new arrangement of cooking work units makes the areas more like kitchens. The products of the girls' handiwork are served to the girls themselves and to the teachers. Many will attest to the fine quality of the foods prepared.

Industrial Arts: The addition of new power and hand tools and other equipment has made possible a more diversified amount of work than in the past. In the lower levels, the number of different projects boys are allowed to make is somewhat limited, being restricted to those that will emphasize the proper use of hand tools. In upper levels, practically unlimited diversity is allowed if the student has shown sufficient ability. In all levels, emphasis is placed on care of tools and equipment and pupil-management of tool check-up and shop-cleaning. In Mechanical Drawing, beginners learn fundamentals of basic techniques, while advanced students apply their basic drawing skills to areas that contain their interest.

Junior High School English: The primary object of the English program is to gain the interest of the pupil in this important area of school life. Pupil group-work, and pupil leadership of discussions is encouraged. Book reports are made more fun by making illustrated book jackets, with the written review on the flaps. Committees select the best one for the bulletin board. The old fashioned spelling match is frequently used, because pupils enjoy such competition. The grade school penmanship program is continued here, to require children to do their very best in all written work. Committees also select these writings for display. In oral work, interesting facts are presented each week by each pu-

pil. Dramatization and pantomime are frequently used in skits presented by the pupils and frequently written by pupils. All in all, the pupils gain quite a bit of skill in English and enjoy it at the same time.

High School English: In this program, the emphasis is first on grammar, by sound drill methods. Then the other areas of the Language Arts program are worked on — written, oral and reading. The written work is found in special written reports based on educational films shown, research work, short story digests, magazine articles and classical material. The classical work is supplemented with reproductions of original paintings which vitalize the literature being studied. In oral work, tape recordings are used, and radio and TV presentations are made. The newspaper is studied as a source of basic reading material, with emphasis upon evaluating news and editorials and developing standards of taste. Special effort has been made this year to correlate English with work in other subject areas, such as history and biology. By employing this method, the other subject area is used as the reason for written and oral work in the English class. By this means, pupils are graded for English effort as well as subject area effort. Through our program we hope to graduate pupils well-grounded in the fundamentals of reading, writing and speaking English. Those preparing for college will have a sound foundation for continued study.

Languages: In languages, we are not only interested in having the pupils become familiar with a written and spoken language, but also in having them understand the land and its people. The study of a foreign language helps the pupil to know his own language better. To aid in oral work, language records are used that go along with the text, and supplement the teacher's pronunciation. Tape recordings of pupils' oral work is the basis of improvement of pronunciation. Short stories are read in the advanced classes,

which along with foreign language films of the lands and their people help to develop balance in the over-all program.

Junior High School Mathematics: Every effort is made to interpret mathematics to the child in terms of his own experiences. By such practices, more meaning and understanding of mathematics is made possible for the child. Many motivating methods are used to keep the child interested, such as board work, rapid drills, mental arithmetic, progress charts, arithmetic bees, etc. Drill work is frequent to maintain high levels of skill.

Junior High School Social Studies: In this area, every effort is made to interest the pupil in the social economic, political and cultural development of our country, with additional emphasis upon the effects of geographical environment upon the lives and habits of Americans. Much project work is done utilizing special texts, encyclopedias, almanacs, atlases, etc. Current items of news are discussed through "current events" reports and Junior Scholastic Magazines. To interest the child and make vivid the material, many and varied methods are used involving seeing and hearing. Examples of these methods are: bulletin board displays, film strips, sound films, tape recordings, dramatizations, paintings, displays, maps, field trips, and outside speakers. All of these keep the child interested and anxious to study more diligently than otherwise might be the case.

Through this program, every effort is made to have the child develop ability to express himself well, lead discussions, compile facts and material, and to cooperate with leaders and others in the group.

Social Studies: The purpose of this program is to show the pupils how the past has contributed to the present, and parallels are drawn between ancient and current events. It is hoped that such study will make it possible for the student to judge our country's pres-

ent policies with understanding, and meet her future problems with courage. In Civics, governments, national, state and local are studied to orient the student to his political surroundings. A substantial amount of the study in this area takes place through discussions, with teacher and pupils participating. Films and filmstrips, outside speakers, debates, bulletin board displays, etc. are used to supplement the basic method and stimulate interest in the material being studied.

Science: In the science area, the facts and principles of science are, in all situations possible, arrived at by experiments performed by students or teacher in order to obtain the facts and principles first-hand. Science is tied to current living with articles from newspapers and magazines, which help to make the material alive and meaningful. When possible, surveys are made to reveal facts to improve the living habits and knowledge of members of the school and the community. Varied methods of teaching develop abilities in oral language, reading and written material. Bulletin board displays, experiments with animals, or simple care of laboratory animals can summarize thinking about the areas being studied. Part of the course in high school science is the development by each pupil of some individual projects, which clearly indicates the pupil's mastery of scientific methods of study.

Commercial: The work in this area is made just as practical as possible, and every attempt is made to simulate actual office conditions. Much good training is developed through duplicating projects requested by various organizations and groups in our community. All pupils are encouraged to take one year of typing, since its usefulness is everywhere evident. Pupils learn to use a variety of typing machines, the adding machine, and the duplicator. Many girls obtain practical office experience by acting as office secretaries in the school office.

High School Mathematics: In these varied areas,

the student is trained to handle adequately this important tool of all scientific, business and engineering fields. Straightforward drill methods are used with rather heavy emphasis on problem solving, and constructive thinking. Whenever possible, practical application of mathematics being studied is woven into the teaching pattern.

Guidance: These courses, found in all grades of our school, are aimed at helping pupils to solve the problems which they face in their everyday living, as well as assisting the pupil in solving problems which he will face in the near and distant future. Emphasis is placed on the importance in all fields of living of high ideals, worthwhile attitudes and desirable habits. Pupils usually take the lead in these areas through pupil panels and discussions. Such discussion groups give the pupils a chance to talk out their problems, and also offer the instructor the opportunity of providing sound guidance. Usually a class can decide how late they should stay out, if they should have dates, where they should study, how much allowance is fair for them, etc. Through this program we hope to develop happier, more wholesome, and mentally healthy youngsters.

Teachers have been encouraged to utilize new and better methods of instruction, to sift out for use those methods which accomplish much, and to discard others which are less successful. Methods which seem adaptable, or strike the fancy of the teacher, are attempted, and if successful, become a part of the teacher's program. We feel that this approach is another step toward improving the overall teaching program of our school.

Recommendations: The challenging thing about the educational process is that perfection is never reached. There is always some improvement that we of the administration, or you the citizens of the town would like to make in education. Below are listed some suggestions that we believe would advance the educational program of our school.

1. We should continue to have at least as many rooms for the use of the high school as we have at present.

2. Better facilities are needed for the handling of the music program. The present plan of having classes in the auditorium and in the cafeteria is far from satisfactory.

3. Physical Education classes should be made available for every child of the school twice a week. Lack of storage facilities for gym clothes makes such a program almost impossible at this time. This program would require a half-time teacher for physical education.

4. A Driver Education course should be made available to all pupils fifteen years of age and over. This would require a teacher on a half-time basis.

5. For a full program of Science in our school, at least one more year of Science should be offered in grades seven or nine. It would be preferable to offer the subject in both grades. Science is playing an increasingly important part in our everyday life.

6. A Social Studies course is desirable for the Sophomore year, thus providing this subject on every grade level. Our complex political world requires special emphasis upon national and worldwide problems that the rising generation must face.

7. The library of a school can be its heart. Experienced librarian assistance on a part-time basis is needed, and funds for the purchasing of library books would be welcome.

On behalf of the teaching staff, I wish to take this opportunity to thank our Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Paire, and the School Board for helping us to improve the educational offerings in our school. They have all been most understanding and ready and willing to expend funds to the extent to which they are available to carry on the best educational practices possible. We, the staff, believe that we have fine schools in

Wilton, our pledge is to make them even better. With your continued support we will do just that. It is gratifying to live in a community where the citizens support and appreciate policies which allow such growth.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH A. SARGENT,
Principal.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Six Consecutive Years: Jean Lenz, Joan Lenz, Donald McGettigan.

Five Consecutive Years: Margaret McGettigan.

Four Consecutive Years: David Wright, Helen McGettigan.

Three Consecutive Years: Diana Frye, Donald Whitney.

Two Consecutive Years: Kenneth McGettigan, William Abbott, Shirley Boutwell, James Quinn, James Curtis, Gerald Little, Diane Tuttle, Kenneth Robie.

One Year: Stuart Draper, Martha McGrath, Carole Nelson, William Webb, Dorothy McGettigan, Kenneth Simpson, Alvin Starkweather, Richard Whitney, Ramona Waters, Allan Foster, Carole Hussey, Allen Malloys, Constance Nadeau, Anne Quinn, Yvonne Burbee, Howard Fisk, Cora Kullgren, Earl Riendeau, Sharon Dawson, Martha Tighe, Gerard Bergeron, Fletcher Seagroves, Clifford Robbins, Ellen Mary Hurley.

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The following report of the work of the Music Department of the Wilton Public Schools is submitted with a most sincere appreciation of the excellent co-operation given me by the school authorities, the teachers, parents and last but by no means the least by the pupils themselves. Whatever degree of success we have achieved this year is due to the combined efforts of everyone concerned.

The Music Course itself is basically the same this year as in the previous years. Four areas of instruction are included, namely, singing, theory, including syllable reading and rhythms, appreciation or understanding and instrumental work. The first important thing is the developing of the singing voice, the training of the ear and the introduction to much beautiful music. Our initial approach to the entire field is through the singing of many beautiful songs, singing games, folk dancing and the use of various rhythm instruments. As the interest develops the basic theory facts are introduced and from the second grade on a constructive course in music theory is built. Throughout these years the children enjoy singing, folk dancing, reading new music, listening to recordings of beautiful music, studying the lives of the great composers, playing the flutes and participating in many public programs. This, I believe is a well balanced program of music instruction.

The instrumental work is continuing this year on the same general plan as reported last year. The school orchestra and the band have both developed very well and this I believe is partly due to the interest of the parents and the studying that many of the pupils do outside of school. Playing any instrument is a skill and therefore demands constant practice if continued progress is to be made. In my report of last year, I said we were looking forward to the day when we would have a Wilton School Band in uniform. This we have

accomplished this year and the big event of this year for the Band was its appearance playing for the School Parade Education Week. This we were able to do through hard work. If the band is to be successful and continue to improve, the young people must study outside of school. One period a week is not enough to acquire the skill needed and I urge the parents to encourage them in their home practice. Again I wish to look ahead and say we hope the time is not too distant when the Wilton School Band can give a concert some fine summer evening in the Park.

The High School Choral groups have again presented a successful Christmas Pageant and are working now on their annual Spring concert. Many young people through these events have the fine experience of singing solos, duets, as well as with the groups, and I feel that this is very valuable for them. Some members of this group are chosen each year to attend and participate in the Annual State Music Festival which is sponsored by the New Hampshire Music Educators.

As I close this report may I again express my gratitude to all who have helped in any way to further the cause of Music in the public schools of Wilton.

ETHELYN G. EDWARDS,
Music Supervisor.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

September 1953 to February 4. 1954

In December 1953, forty High School students, Wilton basketball squads, were given special examination by Dr. Edward Sheris. All were found to be in normal good health. A small number had defective teeth.

Routine physical examinations in grades one through twelve were conducted by Dr. Sheris in December 1953 and January 1954, for 369 pupils.

Total number examined, 409.

Defects Found:

Defective tonsils	17
Enlarged tonsils	3
Tonsilectomies	5
Post Nasal Drip	4
Mouth and Gums	6
Rapid Heart	1
Heart Murmur	2
Bronchial Rales	6
Glands	1
Defective teeth, one or more	79

Note: Many children with so-called defective teeth, have carious temporary teeth, retained on advice of school or family dentist to ensure proper alignment of permanent teeth.

P. T. A. Sponsored Dental Clinics:

Dr. Roy, Dentist — November 1953 at Nurse's Office — Elementary School Building:

49 children made 111 visits
46 extractions
11 cleanings
146 fillings: 40 medicated, 46 porcelain,
60 amalgam.

Novocaine was used as indicated.

Fluorine Treatments — December 1953:

85 pupils grades 1, 2, 3 had teeth cleaned and

250 fluorine applications

No technicians being available for the fluorine services, this year, Dr. Roy contributed generously of his time. Supplies were available from the State Board of Health Dental Services.

Nurse's Activities:

The usual weighing, measuring, personal inspections, home and class room visits and vision testing have been carried on by the nurse. She was in attendance with physician and dentist while their programs were active, November and December 1953, and January 1954.

323 pupils, grade 3 through 12, also advanced group grade 2, have been Telebinocular Tested and 21 were retested since September 1953.

Defects Found:

Vision:

Defective one eye, without glasses	6
No vision one eye, other normal	1
Defective both eyes, without glasses	4
Glasses not advised, under treatment	2
Defective both eyes, with glasses	5
Defective one eye, with glasses	4
Corrections with glasses	46

Pupils in Grade three experienced their first Telebinocular Tests in December 1953. Two already wearing glasses needed lenses changed and three for whom we had no suspicion of defect showed variations from normal. All have been under advice and are wearing corrective glasses.

Contagious Diseases:

Mumps, Pediculosis, Colds, Grippe, etc., innumerable.

Audiometer:

The Nurse's busy work for some time to come, will be individual hearing tests with our new Audiometer,

a gift from the Wilton Lions Club. I, personally am grateful. If our school children are as intrigued by the audiometer as with the telebinocular, it will be a pleasure to test hearing in Wilton.

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA J. GILBERT, R.N.,

School Nurse.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

We would again like to thank the Superintendent, principals, and school faculty, for the hard work that they have performed in the past year to make our school a stronger educational unit.

The problems of overcrowding are again upon us and to make good use of the classrooms is a difficult task, requiring much thought.

The new teachers have worked in well and have been very well accepted. We hope to be able to keep them.

The cooperation of the townspeople has been fine and this is the best praise the Board can receive.

We thank the people of Wilton for all the help they have given the school in the past and hope that they will continue their fine work.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. LaPONSIE,

DAVID WRIGHT,

MILDRED T. PETERS,

School Board.

